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RULES OF ORDER.

1. AFTER the usual opening religious exercises, the Secretary shall read the Minutes of the previous session.
2. No motion shall be entertained by the Conference till such motion shall have been seconded.
3. All motions shall be reduced to writing, if desired by any member of the Conference.
4. Every member desiring to speak on any subject before the Conference shall rise and address the President.
5. The member who first rises and addresses the President shall be entitled to the floor.
6. No member shall speak more than once on the same subject till all who may desire to speak shall have spoken; nor more than fifteen minutes at a time, without leave of the Conference.
7. All questions of order shall be decided by the President, subject to an appeal to the Conference, without debate.
8. When any question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone, to commit, or to amend; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order; and this, as well as a motion to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.
9. If the question before the Conference be capable of division, upon the call of any member, such question shall be divided.
10. The business of the Conference shall be conducted with open doors, unless otherwise ordered by the Conference.
11. Any question may be reconsidered on the motion of any member who may have voted with the majority.
12. If any member call for the previous question, and such call shall be sanctioned by a two-thirds vote of the Conference, the main question shall then be put.
13. Each committee of the Conference shall choose its own chairman, unless the chairman be designated by the Conference or the President in the appointment of the committee.
14. The members of the Conference shall assemble in the Conference-room punctually at the hour to which the Conference adjourned, and no member shall absent himself from the place of Conference session without leave of absence.
15. In all practicable cases, when charges are preferred against a member of Conference, notice shall be given to the President on the first day of the session, that, if it be judged proper, his name may be called, and the case referred to a committee.
16. No member of Conference shall be subject to arrest of character without having been timely furnished, wherever practicable, with a written copy of the charges and specifications against him.
17. The vote on any question shall be taken by ayes and noes, upon the call of fifteen members.

I.

DAILY JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

Xenia, Ohio, Wednesday, September 5, 1877.

THE CINCINNATI ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH began its Twenty-sixth Session in the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Xenia, Ohio, this morning, at 9 o'clock, Bishop G. Haven presiding.

Preceding the session, the Bishop read a part of the twenty-sixth chapter of the Gospel by Matthew, and announced the one hundred and forty-fifth hymn; after the singing of which the sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered to the ministers and laity present.

Bishop Haven then opened the Conference by reading the thirty-fifth chapter of Isaiah; and, after the singing of the seven hundred and seventh hymn, he led the devotions of the Conference in prayer.

The Secretary of the last session called the roll of Conference, and one hundred and thirteen members answered to their names.

W. H. Sutherland was re-elected Secretary; D. J. Starr, Assistant Secretary; D. W. Clark, Recording Secretary; R. E. Smith, W. B. Moler, Statistical Secretaries; and W. J. Quarry, Secretary of Railroad Passes.

The transfer of the Rev. T. S. Cowden, from the Kentucky to the Cincinnati Conference, was announced.

On motion, it was ordered that the daily sessions of Conference open at $8\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock A. M., and close at 12 M., and that the first half-hour be for devotional services.

The bar of the Conference was fixed on a line with the north side of the second window.

On motion, the Committee on Nominations reported, and the Standing Committees were constituted, as follows. On

Missions—W. L. Hypes, C. W. Ketcham, Jas. Stephenson, J. W. Cassatt, G. Moody, J. T. Bail.

Public Worship—W. L. Hypes, G. C. Crum, M. A. Richards.

Education—M. Dustin, J. F. Chalfant, W. A. Robinson, J. F. Loyd, J. P. Porter, T. J. Harris, C. H. Payne, D. H. Moore, L. D. McCabe.

Temperance—T. Collett, J. F. Marlay, J. W. Mason, G. M. Edgar, E. P. James, A. Bowers.

Parsonages—S. A. Brewster, S. F. Conrey, D. Whitmer, J. Vance, J. P. Shultz, G. W. Kelley.

Church Statistics—W. B. Moler, G. W. Dubois, J. C. Boltin, C. H. Kalbfus, W. Mahon, A. E. Higgins.

Periodicals and Book Concern Accounts—J. M. Shultz, E. M. Cole, T. D. W. Peak, E. Cranston, D. J. Starr, S. W. Carey.

Post-offices—J. H. Davis, C. J. Wells, B. F. Dimmick, J. S. Pumphrey, G. L. Travis, W. H. Smith.

New York Accounts—J. Verity.

Conference Postmaster—W. J. Baker.

Memoirs—W. Herr, G. H. Dart, M. Dustin, W. Q. Shannon, Frank G. Mitchell, R. E. Smith.

Freedmen's Aid Society—J. H. Lease, W. W. Case, W. Young, T. H. Pearne, M. Kauffman, W. I. Fee.

Church Extension—S. B. Smith, A. U. Beall, H. M. Keck, S. W. Edmiston, Chas. W. Drees, Thos. Lee.

Sunday-school Cause—G. H. Kennedy, S. D. Clayton, D. L. Aultman, S. N. Marsh, J. N. Irvin, E. Burdsall.

Tract Cause—W. H. Black, D. L. Hayward, W. M. Boyer, W. T. M'Mullen, R. K. Deem, N. Prince.

Observance of the Sabbath—L. Clark, N. W. Darlington, J. M. Walden, C. H. Payne, C. Ferguson, E. T. Wells.

Finance—W. J. Quarry, S. Weeks, D. C. Vance, J. G. Black, A. W. Tibbits, J. M. Robinson. *Laymen recognized*—J. C. Brooke, J. Cochhower, Eugene Parrott, C. F. Colwell, R. Storry, James M'Math.

Conference Stewards—S. Bennett, W. Runyan, J. Pearson, F. M. Clemans, L. Clark, F. Hypes. *Laymen recognized*—J. S. Perkins, J. T. Johnston, R. Shipley, J. Brotherton, W. Meek, J. M'Math.

American Bible Society—G. T. Weaver, W. Herr, C. H. Lawton, J. R. Hunter, W. P. Jackson, E. M'Hugh.

To Nominate Standing Committees for Next Year—S. A. Brewster, F. G. Mitchell, D. Whitmer, T. J. Harris, A. Bowers, J. Murray.

D. J. Starr, T. Lee, S. B. Smith, and D. H. Moore were appointed the Committee to Publish the Conference Minutes.

The following brethren were recognized as reporters of the proceedings of Conference for the Cincinnati papers: A. Bowers, H. M. Keck, D. R. Baker, and J. F. Loyd.

At the request of L. F. Van Cleve, a committee, consisting of J. T. Bail, F. G. Mitchell, and E. T. Wells, was appointed to audit his accounts and make settlement with him as Agent of the Ohio Wesleyan University.

At the request of the Publishing Committee, Dr. G. C. Crum, A. Meharry, and H. Tuckley were appointed to audit their accounts for the past year.

An afternoon session of Conference, beginning at 2 o'clock, was ordered, for the purpose of receiving reports of statistics and collections. Bishop Haven appointed Rev. W. Young to preside at the afternoon session.

On motion, it was ordered that at 10 o'clock, on the second day of the session, the Conference roll should be called, for the purpose of taking subscriptions for the Conference Minutes.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last session were readopted.

A communication from the Greene County Agricultural Society, inviting the Conference to visit the annual fair now being held, was received, and respectfully declined, with thanks to the officers of the Society for the courtesy extended.

Dr. Walden, Agent of the Western Book Concern, addressed the Conference in relation to its interests.

Communications from educational institutions, and reports of the visitors to them, were referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion, the time was extended fifteen minutes.

W. L. Hypes, having stated that charges had been presented against W. S. Rae, his case was referred to a Court of fifteen members, to be appointed by the Bishop, for trial. A. B. Leonard was appointed as counsel for the Church in the case.

Rev. E. S. Gillett, Agent of the American Bible Society; Rev. Jos. Morris and Dr. J. M. Trimble, of the Ohio Conference; and Dr. Ridgaway, recently transferred to the Cincinnati Conference, were introduced.

The Conference Stewards were granted leave of absence from the afternoon session.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. A. Meharry to conduct the opening devotional services of the Conference to-morrow morning.

After the giving of notices, Conference adjourned, with singing the Doxology, and the benediction pronounced by M. Dustin.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Wednesday Afternoon, September 5, 1877.

CONFERENCE met, pursuant to adjournment, at 2 o'clock P. M., the Rev. Wm. Young, D. D., by appointment of Bishop Haven, presiding.

Rev. Thomas Lee conducted the opening religious services, after which the Journal of the morning's session was read and approved. The following brethren were appointed to receive Conference Collections: For

Episcopal Funds, Rev. J. S. Pumphrey; for Church Extension, E. P. James; for Education, M. Dustin; for American Bible Society, W. Herr; for Freedmen's Aid, J. H. Lease; for Tract Cause, D. L. Aultman; for Stewards, J. Pearson.

A call of the appointments was made, and the brethren having their reports in readiness presented them to the respective treasurers.

Leave of absence was granted the Board of Stewards whenever they deem it necessary to transact business during the sessions of Conference.

On motion, it was resolved that, in view of the small number of persons now in attendance, that the time of preaching the Missionary Sermon be postponed to some suitable time, to be fixed upon by the Committee on Public Worship.

On motion, Conference adjourned, with the benediction by the Rev. A. B. Leonard.

SECOND DAY.

Thursday Morning, September 6, 1877.

CONFERENCE convened at 8½ o'clock, Rev. A. Meharry conducting the devotional services.

At 9 o'clock Bishop Haven took the chair, and Dr. Walden led in prayer the devotions of Conference.

The Journal of the afternoon's session was read and approved.

The roll of the absentees of yesterday was called, and twenty-two members answered to their names.

On motion, the further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

L. F. Van Cleve asked the Conference to direct the disposition of the seventy-seven dollars in his hands, collected from various charges for educational purposes; and he was directed to pay it over to W. I. Fee, Treasurer of the Conference Educational Society.

Rev. E. S. Gillett, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society, addressed the Conference in behalf of its interests.

Revs. Arnott and Jackson, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; J. Kendall, of the Ohio, and Barrell, of the Kentucky Conference; Rev. Cherrington, of our India Mission; Rev. Hopkins, of the Presbyterian Church; and Drs. M'Michael, Moorehead, Turnbull, and Hanna, of the United Presbyterian Church; Rev. J. F. Shaffer, of the Lutheran Church; Rev. S. G. Griffis, of the St. Louis Conference; and Dr. Kynett, of the Church Extension Society, were introduced to the Conference by Bishop Haven.

On motion, it was left voluntary with brethren to report the amount of collections for other causes than missions.

The Tenth Question, "*Was the character of each Preacher examined?*" was taken up.

Rev. W. L. Hypes, Presiding Elder of the East Cincinnati District, represented his work; and his character and those of S. Weeks, E. Cranton, A. Bowers, W. B. Moler, W. W. Case, A. B. Leonard, W. N. Brodbeck, E. M'Hugh, S. Bennett, R. E. Smith, E. C. Smith, J. P. Shultz, W. T. M'Mullen, W. H. Miesse, J. N. Irvin, H. C. Middleton, M. Dustin, W. B. Jackson, M. A. Richards, G. C. Crum, A. M. Griffith, and J. F. Wright were passed, the preachers in charge having reported their collections.

The relation of J. F. Wright was changed from effective to superannuate; and a committee, consisting of J. F. Marlay, Wm. Herr, and A. B. Leonard, was appointed to express the sympathy and affection of the Conference to Dr. Wright by correspondence.

The characters of J. M. Walden and Thomas Lee were passed, and the reappointment of the latter to the Superintendency of the Union Bethel was recommended.

A communication from the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, on Temperance, was referred to the Committee on that subject.

On motion, a committee of five, on Correspondence, was ordered, and H. B. Ridgaway, J. M. Walden, S. A. Brewster, G. C. Crum, and D. W. Clark were so appointed.

On motion, the Secretary was requested to prepare a memorial roll of the members of this Conference from its beginning, for publication in Minutes.

The Tenth Question was resumed, and C. W. Ketcham represented his work as Presiding Elder of the West Cincinnati District; and his character and those of H. B. Ridgaway, W. Runyan, D. C. Vance, Wm. Young, G. W. Kelley, J. F. Conrey, D. J. Starr, J. S. Whitney, R. K. Deem, G. H. Dart, James Murray, C. Kalbfus, S. B. Smith, G. T. Weaver, T. Collett, J. S. Pumphrey, E. Burdsall, John Wilson, J. F. Hull, C. H. Payne, and R. S. Rust were passed, those in charge having reported their collections.

Dr. Kynett addressed the Conference in the interests of the Church Extension Society.

The following were appointed the Court for the trial of Rev. W. S. Rae: A. N. Spahr, J. P. Porter, F. M. Clemans, J. F. Marlay, T. Collett,

T. S. Cowden, S. B. Smith, M. Kauffman, S. A. Brewster, W. I. Fee, T. Lee, D. L. Hayward, E. T. Wells, H. B. Ridgaway, and L. Clark. The Bishop also appointed Dr. T. H. Pearne to preside, and J. N. Irvin was designated as a secretary of the trial, having been elected for that purpose.

At 10 o'clock the order of the day was taken up, and the roll call was made for subscriptions for Conference Minutes.

On motion, a Committee was ordered on Popular Amusements, and E. Cranston, J. M. Walden, W. Q. Shannon, M. Kauffman, L. Clark, T. J. Harris, were so appointed. The Secretary was instructed to communicate to the officers of the Greene County Agricultural Society the action of Conference in response to their communication.

The time of the session was extended. L. F. Van Cleve was appointed to assist A. B. Leonard as counsel in the case of W. S. Rae.

Dr. Moody was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the opening devotional services of the morning session.

After the giving of notices, Conference adjourned, with the benediction.

THIRD DAY.

Friday Morning, September 7, 1877.

CONFERENCE convened at $8\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, Rev. Dr. Moody conducting the religious services.

At 9 o'clock, Bishop Haven took the chair.

The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

A communication from Rev. R. S. Rust, in reference to the Freedmen's Aid Society, was read, and passed to the Committee on that cause.

The Tenth Question was resumed.

Rev. J. Stephenson represented his work on Dayton District; and his character and those of T. H. Pearne, W. A. Robinson, W. N. Williams, W. Herr, S. A. Brewster, J. J. Hill, N. H. Prince, J. B. Ellsworth, M. P. Zink, J. F. Marlay, G. H. Kennedy, J. C. Boltin, D. D. Cheney, J. Pearson, C. F. Gowdy, F. S. Davis, C. Ferguson, W. Q. Shannon, S. W. Carey, J. G. Black, W. H. Sutherland, and A. U. Beall were passed, those having charges reporting their collections.

Rev. J. W. Cassatt represented his work on Springfield District, and his character and those of the following brethren were passed, the preachers in charge reporting their collections: E. T. Wells, F. G. Mitchell, S. D. Clayton, A. N. Spahr, F. M. Clemans, S. F. Conrey, A. W.

Tibbits, J. F. Loyd, W. H. Smith, T. E. Fidler, M. Kauffman, M. G. Baker, W. H. Black, H. M. Keck, C. H. Kalbfus, J. W. Mason, C. H. Lawton, J. P. Shultz, J. L. Gregg, C. T. Crum, and L. D. M'Cabe.

M. G. Baker was given a superannuate relation, and a collection for his benefit was taken, amounting to one hundred dollars.

Rev. Jas. T. Bail represented his work on the Hillsboro District, and his character and those of the following were passed, with the usual report of collections: L. Clark, W. I. Fee, G. M. Edgar, D. L. Hayward, J. C. Ambrose, D. Whitmer, J. R. Hunter, A. D. Raleigh, J. M. Robinson, S. W. Edmiston, E. M. Cole, W. Mahon, J. M'D. Mathews, L. F. Van Cleve, L. F. Young, J. P. Porter, D. L. Aultman, J. H. Middleton.

Dr. Mathews was given a superannuate relation.

L. F. Van Cleve was authorized to publish a report of his collections in the Minutes.

G. H. Kennedy was granted leave of absence.

Chaplain Earnshaw, of the Soldiers' Home; and Rev. Spahr, of the Methodist Protestant Church, were introduced.

Rev. G. Moody represented his work on the Ripley District, and his character and those of the following were passed, with the usual report of collections: T. J. Harris, W. J. Quarry, Henry Miller, A. E. Higgins, W. P. Jackson, S. N. Marsh, H. Stokes, E. P. James, L. M. Davis, J. Vance, J. H. Lease, F. Hypes, N. W. Darlington, C. J. Wells, W. M. Boyer, and T. D. W. Peak.

On motion of Dr. Pearne, the motion passing the character of T. D. W. Peak was reconsidered, and his case was referred to a Committee of Inquiry on his doctrinal views.

R. S. Rust, L. F. Van Cleve, J. W. Weakley, W. W. Case, J. Pearson, were appointed such Committee, and Dr. Rust was made Chairman.

Dr. Moody announced the withdrawal of A. Hamilton from the Methodist Episcopal Church; and, on motion, his withdrawal was allowed, and entered on the roll of the Conference.

The time of the session was extended.

Davis W. Clark, Henry Tuckley, Allen D. Maddox, Benjamin F. Dimmick, M. M. Kugler, Geo. W. Dubois, J. E. H. Sentman, Gilbert L. Travis, J. I. Taggart, W. F. Eastman, were called forward, and addressed in a searching and instructive manner by the Bishop, after which they satisfactorily answered the usual disciplinary question, and the Conference question as to their non-use of tobacco.

Dr. Pearne, Fraternal Delegate to the Miami Conference of the Church

of the United Brethren in Christ, reported in relation to his visit to, and his very cordial reception by, that body.

Bishop Haven then introduced the Rev. H. Garst, D. D., Fraternal Delegate from the Miami Conference of the United Brethren Church to the Cincinnati Conference, who addressed the Conference in a brief but very felicitous speech.

On motion of Dr. Pearne, the Committee on Correspondence were requested to nominate a Fraternal Delegate to the Miami Conference, and Dr. Rust, by request, responded to the address of Dr. Garst.

E. Cranston was granted leave of absence, and excused from the Committee on Popular Amusements. W. N. Brodbeck was appointed in his place, and Dr. Walden was made Chairman of the Committee.

The Board of Stewards made a preliminary report.

W. Young presented the case of Rev. R. A. Arthur, and his name was placed on the list of Conference claimants.

After the giving of notices Conference adjourned, with the benediction by Dr. Moore.

FOURTH DAY.

Saturday Morning, September 8, 1877.

CONFERENCE convened at 8½ o'clock, with the usual devotional services, conducted by Rev. Dr. Moore.

At 9 o'clock Bishop Haven took the chair.

The Journal of yesterday's session was read and approved.

S. F. Conrey was granted a supernumerary relation without an appointment.

Dr. Curry, Editor of the *National Repository*, and Dr. Thompson, President of Otterbein University, were introduced to the Conference.

The Third Question, "*Who remain on trial?*" was taken up.

Charles W. Rishell, Frank Leever, and Edgar D. Keyes, having been satisfactorily represented by their presiding elders and examiners, their characters were passed, and they were continued on trial.

The cases of those who remain on trial were called, and, after satisfactory representation by their presiding elders and examiners, and the usual report of collections, the characters of D. W. Clark, Henry Tuckley, Allen D. Maddox, Benj. F. Dimmick, Matthias M. Kugler, George W. Dubois, J. H. Sentman, Warren F. Eastman, Gilbert L. Travis, Jos. I. Taggart, and Delos R. Baker were passed, and they were admitted

into full connection. Henry Tuckley, W. F. Eastman, G. L. Travis, and Delos R. Baker were elected to deacons' orders, the others named having been ordained.

John P. Nine was discontinued, the presiding elder being allowed to employ him.

The names of G. M. Hammell, Wm. J. Baker, J. H. Davis, John A. Easton, J. W. Gaddis, J. F. M'Colm, and Chas. W. Drees were called, and, after the usual representations and reports, their characters were passed, and they were advanced to deacons of the second class.

Charles W. Drees was invited to address the Conference in relation to his work in Mexico, and did so in an impressive manner.

By request, Dr. M'Cabe led the Conference in a fervent prayer for our work in Mexico, after which the Missionary Hymn was enthusiastically sung by the Conference.

The characters of Daniel L. Aultman, John W. Sutherland, and John T. Short were passed in the same manner, and they were elected to elders' orders.

The relations of John W. Sutherland and J. T. Short were changed from supernumerary to effective.

L. F. Van Cleve took the chair by appointment of Bishop Haven, who retired because of sudden and severe sickness.

Leave of absence was granted Professor G. W. Parrott, D. Whitmer, J. N. Irvin, Dr. Moore, Wm. Young, W. E. Hines, the last of whom, being invited, addressed the Conference.

Recommendations of local preachers to deacons' orders were called for.

On motion, the resolution of last year, against granting ordination to local preachers, unless the interests of the work required it, was re-adopted.

Henry C. Weakley, from the East Cincinnati District; David W. Delay, from the Springfield District; and George M. Fulton, from the Ripley District, having been properly represented, were elected to deacons' orders.

On motion, the fixing upon the place of the next session was made the order of the day for Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Board of Stewards presented their final report, which, together with the resolutions of last year, was adopted.

Dr. Rust presented the report of the Committee in the case of T. D. W. Peak, whose answers showed that he is now in entire accord with the doctrines of our Church, and recommending the passage of his character. The report was adopted, and his character was passed.

The Eighth Question, "*Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*" was taken up.

M. P. Gaddis and J. S. Peregrine were granted a superannuated relation, their characters having been approved.

The characters of A. Meharry, Jas. F. Chalfant, J. Verity, Geo. W. Fee, Geo. W. Parrott, A. Lowrey, J. W. Weakley, and M. J. Cramer were passed, and they were continued in a supernumerary relation without appointment.

The Ninth Question, "*Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*" was taken up.

The characters of the following were passed, and they were continued in a superannuated relation: J. C. Maddy, W. N. Maxey, J. Barton, J. W. Stone, B. Glasscock, D. Callahan, A. Murphy, E. H. Field, J. A. Reeder, R. Brandriff, D. Warnock, D. Kemper, J. L. Grover, D. H. Sargent, W. Webster, N. M'Donald, J. C. Deem, R. A. Arthur, W. E. Hines, and J. W. Keeley.

W. A. Robinson was elected an Assistant Secretary, and detailed to serve as Secretary *pro tem.* of the Court.

On motion, Conference adjourned, with the benediction by Rev. W. Herr.

FIFTH DAY.

Monday Morning, September 10, 1877.

CONFERENCE opened with the usual religious services, at $8\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, led by Rev. J. H. Lease, very few members of Conference being present.

At 9 o'clock Dr. J. M. Walden took the chair, by appointment of Bishop Haven, and the proceedings of Conference began with the reading and approval of the Journal of the fourth day.

Bishop Simpson having arrived took the chair.

Dr. Pearne and M. Kauffman, having been absent at the previous call, reported their missionary collections.

On motion, the Treasurers of the respective Conference Societies were authorized to pay to the Publishing Committee the amounts necessary to cover the expense of publishing their reports.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Parsonages was read by J. P. Shultz, and adopted.

On motion, the report on Temperance, read by J. F. Marlay, was adopted; and J. F. Marlay, T. H. Pearne, and L. Clark were appointed the Committee provided for.

The report of the Committee on Church Extension was read by S. B. Smith, and adopted.

The report on the Freedmen's Aid Society was read by W. W. Case, and adopted.

The report of the Treasurer of Freedmen's Collections was read by J. H. Lease, and filed.

The report of the Committee on Finance was read by W. J. Quarry.

On motion, the report on this subject for last year was readopted as a substitute; and, on motion of W. W. Case, the Committee was discharged.

M. A. Richards reported a donation of \$19.50 to the Superannuates' Fund, from Philip Phillips, as a part of the proceeds of a concert given on Saturday evening.

On motion of D. J. Starr, who had solicited the gift, the thanks of Conference were tendered Philip Phillips for said donation.

The Report of the Committee on Education was read in part by M. Dustin; and, after addresses by President Payne, and L. F. Van Cleve, Agent, the item relating to the Ohio Wesleyan University was adopted.

The item relating to Xenia College was read, and, after President Smith had, by invitation, addressed the Conference, it was adopted.

The item relating to Hillsboro College was read and adopted.

The item relating to the Cincinnati Wesleyan College was read and adopted, and the whole report so far as read was adopted.

The order of the day for 11 o'clock was taken up; and invitations from Green Street Church, Piqua; Mulberry Street Church, Troy; and the Church at Greenfield, for the next session of Conference, were received. The respective places were represented, and Piqua was fixed upon as the place of the next session.

L. F. Van Cleve presented and read his report as Financial Agent of the Ohio Wesleyan University.

The Stewards distributed the funds according to their report.

At the request of the Official Board, James Mack was appointed to receive and disburse, for the benefit of Rev. Jos. A. Reeder, the funds appropriated to him.

The Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for \$30, and the draft was ordered.

The Stewards reported a balance of \$26.91 in their hands, and asked that it be given to R. A. Arthur. It was so ordered, and W. Young was given charge of the funds.

On motion, an afternoon session, beginning at 3 o'clock, was ordered for Memorial Services and ordination of elders.

Dr. Curry, Editor of the *National Repository* addressed the Conference in behalf of the interests of that magazine.

The time of the session was extended. Leave of absence granted to J. M. Walden.

Dr. Walden read the report of the Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath, which was adopted.

Documents received through Bishop Haven, from the New York Book Concern, were referred to the Committee on that subject.

Rev. W. Ramsey, of the Kentucky Conference; Rev. Mill, of the East Ohio Conference; and President Lee, of the Wilberforce University, were introduced.

J. W. Weakley was appointed by Bishop Simpson to conduct the opening religious services of the afternoon session; and after the giving of notices Conference adjourned, with the benediction by C. H. Payne.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Monday Afternoon, September 10, 1877.

CONFERENCE opened at 3 o'clock, Rev. M. P. Gaddis conducting the devotional services. Bishop Simpson in the chair.

The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

The Bishop announced that the ordination service, designed for this hour, will be deferred, and be made the opening service of to-morrow morning.

D. J. Starr read the report of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Funds, which was amended and filed.

W. Mahon read the report of the Committee on Church Statistics, which was adopted.

G. T. Weaver read the report of the Committee on the Bible Cause, which was adopted.

T. D. W. Peak read the report of the Committee on Periodicals and Book Concern, which was adopted.

D. L. Aultman read the report of the Treasurer of Tract Funds, which was ordered to be filed.

R. E. Smith read a summary of the report of the Statistical Secretaries.

R. K. Deem read the report of the Committee on the Tract Cause, which was adopted.

The Secretary presented a communication from Jewell Central Circuit, Kansas Conference, recommending the restoration of the credentials of Rev. Hiram Breckenridge, a local preacher. Conference ordered such restoration, if the credentials can be found.

The Memorial Service, being the order of the day, was taken up.

Rev. W. Herr, Chairman, reported, and Rev. G. H. Dart read the Memoir of Rev. W. H. Lawder, which was adopted.

Rev. M. Dustin read the Memoir of the Rev. T. A. G. Phillips, which was adopted.

The Memoir of the Rev. Samuel Brown was also read, by brother Dustin, and was adopted.

F. G. Mitchell read the Memoir of Rev. W. I. Ellsworth, which was adopted.

W. Herr read the Memoir of Mrs. Jacinthia Spencer, widow of Rev. Robt. O. Spencer, which was adopted.

The Memoir of Mrs. Reeder, not being at hand, was ordered to be published.

R. E. Smith read the Memoir of Mrs. Rachel E. Swormstedt, widow of Rev. Leroy Swormstedt, which was adopted.

Following the reading of the Memoirs, and some appropriate remarks, Conference joined in singing an appropriate hymn, and Rev. Wm. Young, by request of Bishop Simpson, led the Conference in prayer.

The Second Question, "*Who are admitted on trial?*" was taken up.

The recommendation of Henry Witham, from Mainville charge, of the East Cincinnati District, was presented, and after proper representations he was received.

Henry C. Weakley, from Lebanon charge, the same district, being duly recommended and represented, he was admitted.

Stanley O. Royal, of Grace Church Quarterly Conference, Piqua, Dayton District, was duly recommended and represented, after which he was admitted.

John A. Story, having been recommended by the Fall River District Conference, Providence Annual Conference, and properly represented, was admitted.

John A. White, from Trinity Quarterly Conference, East Cincinnati District, having been properly recommended and represented, was admitted.

Dr. G. C. Crum was granted a superannuated relation. Charles Kalbfus was granted a superannuated relation. J. B. Ellsworth was granted a supernumerary relation. J. M. Robinson was granted a superannuated relation.

The Preachers' Relief Society, through Rev. R. S. Rust, requested the appointment of Rev. W. Herr, as its financial agent, and the Conference requested the Bishop to so appoint him.

After the giving of notices, Conference adjourned with the singing of the Doxology, and the benediction by Rev. Dr. Sutherland.

SIXTH DAY.

Tuesday Morning, September 11, 1877.

CONFERENCE opened at 8½ o'clock. Bishop Simpson presiding. The usual devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. G. Black.

The Journal of yesterday afternoon's session was read and approved. Dr. Pearne read the report of the Court to examine the charges against the Rev. W. S. Rae, recommending that his character be passed, as he had been admonished by the President of the Court, according to the findings. His character was so passed. T. H. Pearne was granted leave of absence. A collection was taken up for the relief of W. S. Rae, which amounted to \$36.73.

The report on Sunday-schools for last year was readopted.

The ordination services announced for this hour were introduced. Daniel L. Aultman, John T. Short, and John W. Sutherland, having been elected, were ordained elders by Bishop Simpson; and Gilbert L. Travis, also elected, was ordained deacon by Bishop Haven.

Bishop Haven took the chair.

W. Herr read the report of the Board of Conference Trustees, which was adopted, and its nominees were elected by Conference.

A communication from Dr. J. F. Wright was read to the Conference.

Permission was given the trustees of the old church at Middleboro, on Clarksville Circuit, to sell the property and reinvest the proceeds. Permission was also granted the trustees of Spring Church, Bethany charge, to sell their church property.

On motion of W. Herr, Thursday night of the next session was set apart for the anniversary of the Preachers' Relief Society.

D. J. Starr read the report of the Committee on Correspondence and Resolutions, which was adopted.

A collection for the sexton of this Church was taken, amounting to \$23.20.

A communication from the Superintendent of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, inviting the Conference to visit that institution, was received, and, on motion, the invitation was accepted with thanks.

J. P. Shultz read the nominations for officers of the Conference Board of Church Extension, and they were elected.

A supplementary report from the Committee on Education, in relation to the property of the Springfield Female College, was adopted.

Dr. J. P. Newman was introduced, and briefly addressed the Conference.

J. F. Conrey read his report as Treasurer of the Missionary Society, which was adopted, and he was authorized to provide envelopes for the missionary collections of next year. Conference appointed J. F. Conrey, also, to secure Thos. Robinson's bequest to the Missionary Society.

The reports of the Committees on Temperance and on the Observance of the Sabbath were offered for publication in the *Western Christian Advocate*.

The motion passed yesterday, with reference to the disposition by L. F. Van Cleve of certain subscriptions to the Ohio Wesleyan University, was reconsidered, as the matter was already provided for in the Educational Report.

G. W. Parrott presented resolutions signed by himself, D. J. Starr, and G. Moody, in reference to superannuates' collections, which were adopted.

J. F. Marlay offered, as a substitute for a pending resolution on the transfer of preachers to the Cincinnati Conference, another resolution on that subject, which was adopted.

S. B. Smith presented a paper adding certain names to the officers of the Church Extension Board, which was adopted.

W. I. Fee read his report, as Treasurer of the Conference Educational Society, and it was adopted.

Bishop Haven announced G. Moody, J. W. Cassatt, C. W. Ketcham, M. Dustin, and J. P. Porter, as the Committee on Boundary Lines of Conferences.

T. Collett read his report as Treasurer of the Sunday-school Union, which was adopted.

Officers for the Conference Sunday-school Union were elected.

G. Moody offered a resolution, which was adopted, thanking the ladies of Trinity and First Methodist Episcopal Churches of Xenia for floral decorations, and personal attentions to Conference during the session.

A. B. Leonard moved that the Agent of the Ohio Wesleyan University be requested to report the moneys especially designated for said University, to the Treasurer of the Educational Society, to be published in our Annual Minutes. The motion prevailed.

The Bishop announced the transfer of W. H. Sutherland to the Ohio, and L. F. Van Cleve to the East Ohio, from the Cincinnati Conference.

D. J. Starr offered a resolution respectful to the transfer of Rev. W. H. Sutherland, D. D., which was adopted by a rising vote.

A similar motion in reference to the transfer of Rev. L. F. Van Cleve, offered by Dr. M'Cabe, was adopted in the same manner, following which action these brethren expressed their parting regards to the Conference.

The Secretary was instructed to furnish to these brethren, and to the Conferences to which they go, copies of this action.

The report of the Committee on the Assessment of Episcopal Funds was approved.

The officers of the Conference Missionary Society of last year were re-elected.

Bishop Haven announced the transfer of Rev. Henry Baker from the East Ohio to the Cincinnati Conference.

The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Publishing Committee, reported, approving the accounts, and the report was adopted.

On motion of M. A. Richards, Conference ordered that the examination of all classes, except of local preachers for orders; be held on Tuesday before the next session of Conference, and that the excepted class be examined on Friday of the session.

On motion of J. W. Weakley, Rev. Wm. Herr was invited to preach a semi-centennial sermon at the next session of Conference.

The Journal of this session was read and approved.

Bishop Haven addressed the Conference in a suggestive manner, and read appropriate selections from the Scriptures, after which the two hundred and twenty-first hymn was sung, and S. Weeks led the Conference in prayer.

Rev. J. F. Loyd addressed the Conference briefly in reference to his work as President of Hillsboro College.

By request of the Bishop, the Secretary read the Appointments; and after notices by the Bishop and presiding elders, Conference adjourned, *sine die*, with the benediction by Dr. W. H. Sutherland.

II.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1. *Have any entered this Conference by transfer or readmission?*

ANSWER. Henry Baker, from the East Ohio; T. S. Cowden, from the Kentucky; and G. S. M'Laughlin, from the Ohio Conference, by transfer.

QUESTION 2. *Who are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER. Henry Witham, Henry C. Weakley, Stanley O. Royal, John A. Story, and John A. White.

QUESTION 3. *Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER. Frank Leever, C. W. Rishell, Edgar D. Keyes, Jas. H. Roberts.

QUESTION 4. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANSWER. D. W. Clark, Henry Tuckley, Allen B. Maddox, Benjamin F. Dimmick, M. M. Kugler, Geo. W. Dubois, J. E. H. Sentman, Warren F. Eastman, Gilbert L. Travis, Joseph I. Taggart, and Delos R. Baker. J. H. Roberts, of this class, was not admitted, because of absence; but his character was approved.

QUESTION 5. *Who are the Deacons of the first class?*

ANSWER. D. W. Clark, B. P. Dimmick, M: M. Kugler, Henry Tuckley, W. F. Eastman, G. L. Travis, Delos R. Baker, Geo. W. Dubois, Allen D. Maddox, J. E. H. Sentman, J. I. Taggart.

QUESTION 6. *Who are the Deacons of the second class?*

ANSWER. George M. Hammell, William J. Baker, John H. Davis, Charles W. Drees, John A. Easton, John W. Gaddis, James F. M'Colm.

QUESTION 7. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders?*

ANSWER. Daniel L. Aultman, John W. Sutherland, J. T. Short.

QUESTION 8. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

ANSWER. J. B. Ellsworth, J. F. Chalfant, George W. Fee, George W. Parrott, A. Lowrey, M. J. Cramer, J. Verity, A. Meharry, J. W. Weakley, S. F. Conrey.

QUESTION 9. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

ANSWER. J. F. Wright, M. P. Gaddis, J. S. Peregrine, J. C. Maddy, J. Barton, J. W. Stone, B. Glasscock, D. Callahan, A. Murphy, E. H.

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Field, J. A. Reeder, R. Brandriff, D. Warnock, D. Kemper, J. L. Grover, D. H. Sargent, W. Webster, N. M'Donald, J. C. Deem, R. A. Arthur, W. E. Hines, Charles Kalbfus, J. W. Keeley, G. C. Crum, J. M. Robinson, M. G. Baker, J. M'D. Mathews, W. N. Maxey.

QUESTION 10. *Was the character of each Preacher examined?*

ANSWER. It was in open Conference.

QUESTION 11. *Have any located?*

ANSWER. None.

QUESTION 12. *Have any withdrawn?*

ANSWER. Yes; A. Hamilton.

QUESTION 13. *Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?*

L. F. Van Cleve, to the East Ohio Conference; W. H. Sutherland, to the Ohio Conference; H. D. Fisher, to the Nebraska Conference.

QUESTION 14. *Have any been expelled?*

ANSWER. None.

QUESTION 15. *Have any died?*

ANSWER. Yes; W. H. Lawder, T. A. G. Phillips, S. Brown, W. I. Ellsworth. (See Memoirs.)

QUESTION 16. *What is the Statistical Report?*

ANSWER. (See Report.)

QUESTION 17. *What are the claims upon the Conference fund?*

ANSWER. (See Stewards' Report.)

QUESTION 18. *What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?*

ANSWER. (See Stewards' Report.)

QUESTION 19. *Where are the Preachers stationed?*

ANSWER. (See List of Appointments.)

QUESTION 20. *Where and when shall the next Conference be held?*

ANSWER. Green Street Church, Piqua, Ohio. Time not given.

QUESTION 21. *Have any Local Preachers been ordained?*

ANSWER. Yes; David W. Delay, George M. Fulton, and Henry C. Weakley, as deacons.

QUESTION 22. *Are any of our Literary or Theological Institutions under the control and patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition?*

ANSWER. (See Report on Education.)

QUESTION 23. *Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?*

ANSWER. (See Officers of Conference Societies.)

III.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONFERENCE.

Of Respect to Bishop Haven.

Resolved, That this, the first official visit of Bishop Haven to the Cincinnati Conference at its annual session, has given us eminent satisfaction. His dignified and courteous bearing, his wise and brilliant words, have endeared him to all. We deeply regret the physical illness from which he has suffered, and will pray the Great Head of the Church for his speedy and perfect restoration to health. Whenever in the allotments of the Episcopal Board, Bishop Haven shall be assigned to us, he will be most heartily welcomed.

Of Respect to Bishop Simpson.

Resolved, That the visit of our beloved and venerated Bishop Simpson, who has so promptly and opportunely come to the assistance of Bishop Haven, has been most grateful to the Conference. We shall be always delighted to see his benignant face among us, and shall ever pray for the Divine blessing upon him and his labors.

Of Thanks.

Resolved, That our thanks are hereby given to the pastors and trustees of the Methodist Churches of Xenia, for granting us the use of their churches, and for so amply providing for our accommodation; also to the citizens of Xenia, who, without regard to ecclesiastical relations, have so courteously and so generously opened their hearts and homes for our entertainment; also to the newspaper press, for the full and impartial reports of our daily proceedings; and to the several railroad companies who have passed the members and visitors of the Conference over their lines at reduced rates; and, in particular, to the ladies of the Trinity and First Methodist Episcopal Church of Xenia, for the æsthetic taste manifested in their floral decorations, and other attentions, which have contributed so largely to make this a memorably pleasant session of our body.

H. B. RIDGAWAY.
G. MOODY.

Ordination to Local Orders.

Resolved, That we refuse to elect local preachers to deacons' and elders' orders, unless the interest of the Church in their several localities demands it.

Of Fraternity.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure from Dr. Thomas H. Pearne, of his cordial reception as fraternal delegate from this Conference to the Miami Conference of the United Brethren Church; and that

we have been glad to receive, at this session of our Conference, the visit of the Rev. Professor Henry Garst, as fraternal delegate from the same body, and that we have listened with profound feelings to his forcible and eloquent greetings. We are happy to recognize the close historical relations and ecclesiastical resemblances subsisting between the United Brethren and the Methodist Episcopal Churches of America; and we will ever pray that two religious bodies so closely rooted in the past, and so nearly alike in doctrine and polity, may ever continue to work together in the closest unity of friendship and action. As evidence of our desire to express this sentiment, and to secure this result, we recommend the appointment of the Rev. Lucien Clark as our fraternal delegate, to visit the Miami Conference at its next session.

Collections for Conference Claimants.

Whereas, it has become necessary, in the judgment of the Bishop and presiding elders, to ask some of the senior members of the Conference to retire from the active work; and, *whereas*, some of these brethren, having given the strength of their lives to the ministry, are now without adequate support, and feel themselves to be incompetent to gain a livelihood from any of the secular employments; therefore,

Resolved, That as preachers of the Cincinnati Conference we will make the collection known as the Fifth Collection second to no other in sacredness and importance.

Resolved, That we owe it to our Conference Claimants to *raise* the ten per cent assessed upon our charges for their support, and should any preacher fail to raise the assessment for this cause in his charge, he shall report such deficiency in open Conference.

Resolved, That one Sabbath service during the year shall be devoted especially to this cause in each of our congregations, and that a collection for this object shall also be taken in each of our Sabbath-schools.

GEO. PARrott,
D. J. STARR,
G. MOODY.

Special Transfers.

Resolved, That in view of the crowded state of our work, we respectfully request the Bishops not to make transfers to this body, unless the interests of the Church clearly require it.

J. F. MARLAY,
J. F. CONREY,

C. FERGUSON,
W. L. HYPES.

Transfer of Dr. Sutherland.

Whereas, it has seemed best to the presiding Bishop to transfer from our Conference to the Ohio Conference, the Rev. W. H. Sutherland, D. D., a laborious, gifted, and useful member of the Cincinnati Conference, and for fifteen years its efficient Secretary; therefore,

Resolved, That we part from our brother with sincere regret and affection; that we shall greatly miss him at our annual sessions; and assure

him that our prayers shall continue to ascend for the blessings of God upon him and his labors; and that, should it ever become his desire to return to our Conference, we assure him of a cordial welcome to a place in our ranks again.

D. J. STARR,
A. MEHARRY,

THOS. LEE,
GEO. H. DART.

Transfer of L. F. Van Cleve.

Whereas, our presiding Bishop has transferred, from the Cincinnati to the East Ohio Conference, the Rev. L. F. Van Cleve, A. M.; therefore,

Resolved, That we can not consent to the rupture of his Conference relations without expressing our recognition of the faithfulness, efficiency, and manliness of his ministerial character, through so many years of Conference association and Church work. We part with unaffected grief, and shall follow our brother with prayers for his prosperity. Should he desire to return again to our Conference, he has our assurance of a cordial welcome.

L. D. M'CABE,
M. DUSTIN,
W. L. HYPES.

IV.

CONFERENCE BOARDS, ETC.

Conference Trustees.

President—W. YOUNG.
Secretary—W. HERR.
Treasurer—J. T. BAIL.
Managers—A. Meharry, W. L. Hypes,
John W. Dale, S. A. Cairns.
The President and Secretary constitute a Financial Advisory Committee.

Preachers' Relief Society.

President—J. M. WALDEN.
Vice-President—R. S. RUST.
Treasurer—W. YOUNG.
Assistant Treasurer—C. O. EDWARDS.
Secretary—T. H. PEARNE.
Assistant Secretary—A. U. BEALL.
Managers—Ministers: S. Weeks, A. W. Tibbits, W. N. Williams, W. H. Black, J. S. Whitney, W. J. Quarry, J. G. Black, M. P. Zink, A. M. Griffith, S. D. Clayton. Laymen: J. R. Wright, J. Cochnower, H. E. Parrott, A. Coffman, Harvey DeCamp. W. Herr, Financial Agent.
The President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer constitute the Finance Committee.

Tract Society.

President—E. CRANSTON.
Vice-President—R. K. DEEM.
Secretary—G. S. M'LAUGHLIN.
Treasurer—D. L. AULTMAN.
Managers—A. N. Spahr, Geo. W. Kelley, W. J. Quarry, A. M. Griffith, J. A. White.

Board of Church Extension.

President—W. A. ROBINSON.
Vice-President—JACOB CHAMBERS.
Corresponding Secretary—G. H. DART.
Recording Secretary—D. C. VANCE.
Treasurer—H. DECAMP.
Additional Members—J. R. Wright, A. B. Leonard, J. N. Gamble, S. Weeks, and F. H. Marlay, J. W. Dale, M. A. Richards.

Sunday-School Union.

President—J. P. SHÜLTZ.
Vice-President—A. BOWERS.
Secretary—H. TUCKLEY.
Treasurer—J. WILSON.
Managers—John W. Gaddis, A. N. Spahr, D. R. Baker, J. W. Mason, W. N. Brodbeck, S. W. Carey, Carey T. Crum, G. W. Parrott, W. Runyan.

Missionary Society.

President—T. COLLETT.
Vice-President—A. N. SPAHR.
Secretary—A. BOWERS.
Treasurer—J. F. CONREY.
Managers—S. Weeks, W. Runyan, T. E. Fidler, W. A. Robinson, W. N. Brodbeck, D. L. Hayward.

Commission on Boundary Lines.

G. MOODY, J. W. CASSATT,
C. W. KETCHAM, M. DUSTIN,
J. P. PORTER.

Examiners of 1878.

For Admission on Trial—John Pearson,
A. N. Spahr, Carey T. Crum.

First Year—D. D. Cheney, W. H. Mi-
esse, E. M'Hugh.

Second Year—W. Mahon, E. T. Wells,
M. A. Richards.

Third Year—D. C. Vance, G. M. Ed-
gar, S. Weeks.

Fourth Year—F. M. Clemans, A. B.
Leonard, H. B. Ridgaway.

For Local Deacons—W. N. Brodbeck,
R. E. Smith, D. R. Baker.

For Local Elders—S. Bennett, W. N.
Williams, C. H. Lawton.

Triers of Appeals.

Lucien Clark, J. F. Conrey, M. Dustin,
A. N. Spahr, D. Whitmer, M. Kauff-
man, J. H. Lease.

To Preach Missionary Sermon.

W. W. CASE. A. N. SPAHR,
 Alternate.

CERTIFICATES OF ORDINATION.

THE following brethren were ordained Deacons by me, on Sunday, September 9, 1877: Delos R. Baker, David W. Delay, George M. Fulton, W. F. Eastman, Henry Tuckley, Henry C. Weakley. Also, on Tuesday, September 11th, Gilbert L. Travis. G. HAVEN.

XENIA, September 11, 1877.

Daniel L. Aultman, John T. Short, and John W. Sutherland were ordained Elders by me, at Xenia, O., September 11, 1877.

MATTHEW SIMPSON.

V.

REPORTS.

CONFERENCE STEWARDS' REPORT.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.			House Rent...	Fifth Collection
		Estim'tns	Receipts..	Deficits..		
EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.....	Wm. L. Hyper, P. E ..	\$1,500	\$1,463 14	\$36 86	\$500 00	.....
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel.....	Sylvester Weeks.....	1,400	1,600 00	.....	Par.	\$84 00
Trinity.....	Earl Cranston.....	3,000	3,000 00	.....	233 33	325 00
Asbury.....	Adam Bowers.....	1,300	1,300 00	.....	325 00	59 27
Pendleton.....	W. J. Baker.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Pearl Street.....	Wm. B. Moler.....	800	800 00	.....	Par.	22 35
Mt. Auburn.....	W. W. Case.....	1,800	1,800 00	.....	.....	57 91
Walnut Hills.....	A. B. Leonard.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250 00
Grace Church.....	Wm. N. Brodbeck.....	1,200	1,200 00	.....	420 00	72 25
M'Kendree.....	Edward M'Hugh.....	1,206	1,206 00	.....	194 00	72 60
Columbia.....	J. W. Gaddis.....	.....	.....	.....	29 50	23 00
Madisonville.....	Silas Bennett.....	1,000	1,000 00	.....	Par.	50 00
Mt. Washington.....	R. E. Smith.....	800	760 00	40 00	144 00	25 00
Camp Dennison.....	E. C. Smith.....	660	580 00	80 00	135 00	29 00
Milford.....	J. P. Shultz.....	800	730 00	70 00	150 00	30 45
Centenary.....	W. T. M'Mullen.....	600	600 00	.....	.....	17 15
Loveland.....	W. H. Miesse.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Miamiville.....	W. S. Rae.....	600	600 00	50 00	100 00	5 00
Lebanon.....	J. N. Irvin.....	1,000	1,000 00	.....	Par.	45 00
Goshen.....	H. C. Middleton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morrow.....	B. F. Dimmick.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 50
Waynesville.....	M. Dustin.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 00
New Burlington.....	W. B. Jackson.....	1,000	1,000 00	.....	Par.	19 20
".....	J. A. Easton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Xenia: First Church.....	M. A. Richards.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41 00
Trinity.....	G. C. Crum.....	1,000	1,000 00	.....	.....	43 90
Miami Circuit.....	A. M. Griffith.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 00
".....	J. E. H. Sentman.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
City Mission.....	H. D. Fisher.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	\$19,716	\$19,639 14	\$276 86	\$1,566 88	\$1,341 58
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.....	C. W. Ketcham, P. E ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cincinnati: St. Paul.....	H. B. Ridgaway.....	\$4,000	\$4,000 00	.....	Par.	\$400 68
St. John's.....	H. Tuckley.....	800	900 00	.....	.....	18 20
Christie.....	Wm. Runyan.....	1,200	1,200 00	.....	.....	73 00
Finley.....	C. W. Rishell.....	600	600 00	.....	.....	25 00
Yor. Street.....	D. C. Vance.....	1,140	891 00	\$249 00	360 00	32 00
M'Lean.....	Wm. Young.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fairmount.....	G. W. Kelley.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00
Cummins'e & C. Washing'n.....	W. G. Benton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Groesbeck.....	D. R. Baker.....	600	585 00	15 00	.....	38 75
Winton Place.....	J. F. Conrey.....	900	900 00	.....	240 00	20 00
Hartwell & Carthage.....	D. W. Clark.....	800	800 00	.....	.....	63 25
Lockland.....	D. J. Starr.....	1,250	1,250 00	.....	Par.	125 00
Port Union.....	J. S. Whitney.....	800	800 00	.....	Par.	60 00
Cheviot.....	M. M. Kugler.....	600	600 00	.....	.....	5 00
Bethany.....	R. K. Deem.....	800	800 00	.....	Par.	26 00
Hamilton.....	G. H. Dart.....	1,200	1,200 00	.....	Par.	76 25
Oxford.....	J. Murray.....	1,050	1,050 00	.....	Par.	70 00
Venice.....	Chas. Kalbfus.....	500	400 00	100 00	Par.	6 57
Harrison.....	S. B. Smith.....	700	700 00	.....	.....	36 60
Eaton.....	Thos. Collett.....	1,200	1,200 00	.....	100 00	54 03
Camden.....	J. S. Pumphrey.....	650	653 00	.....	Par.	12 00
Seven-mile.....	E. Burdsall.....	750	750 00	Par.	50 00
New Paris.....	J. Wilson.....	525	400 00	Par.	9 00

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CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.			House Rent..	Fifth Collect'n
		Estim'tes	Receipts..	Deficit..		
Fair Haven & Sugar Valley.....	J. F. Hull.....	\$600	\$520 00	\$80 00	Par.	\$20 00
Walker & Union.....	G. W. Dubois.....	500	500 00	.....	.....	10 00
North Bend.....	G. T. Weaver.....	650	526 64	123 36	\$100 00	5 00
Total		\$21,815	\$21,225 64	\$692 36	\$1300 00	\$1,248 33
DAYTON DISTRICT.....	<i>J. Stephenson, P. E.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dayton: Grace Church.....	T. H. Pearne.....	\$2,000	\$2,000 00	.....	Par.	\$203 25
Raper Chapel.....	W. A. Robinson.....	1,400	1,400 00	.....	Par.	95 25
Years Chapel & Ebenezer.....	W. N. Williams.....	600	482 97	\$117 03	.....	6 80
Davison Chapel.....	C. F. Gowdy.....	500	500 00	.....	\$120 00	7 00
Troy: Mulberry Street.....	S. A. Brewster.....	1,200	1,200 00	.....	Par.	51 00
Second Church.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tippecanoe	J. J. Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 25
Addison.....	N. Prince.....	650	598 67	51 33	.....	75 00
"	J. B. Ellsworth.....	550	506 57	43 43	.....	.....
Concord.....	G. L. Travis.....	550	525 00	25 00	.....	38 00
Lewisburg.....	M. P. Zink.....	800	713 18	86 82	Par.	20 00
Germantown & Winchester.....	J. P. Nine.....	.....	.....	.....	Par.	4 00
Piqua : Green Street.....	J. F. Marlay.....	1,200	1,200 00	.....	Par.	52 00
Grace & Covington.....	G. H. Kennedy.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lockington.....	J. C. Boltin.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Fletcher.....	D. D. Cheney.....	700	660 00	40 00	.....	5 00
St. Paris & Lena.....	J. Pearson.....	800	800 00	.....	.....	26 60
Brant.....	L. O. Deputy.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Miamisburg.....	F. S. Davis.....	900	900 00	.....	Par.	30 00
Franklin.....	C. Ferguson.....	1,000	1,000 00	.....	185 00	36 20
Red Lion & Springboro.....	W. Q. Shannon.....	800	800 00	.....	Par.	26 20
Fairfield.....	S. W. Carey.....	700	430 00	270 00	Par.	13 75
New Carlisle.....	J. G. Black.....	900	723 13	176 87	Par.	56 00
Middletown.....	W. H. Sutherland.....	1,100	1,100 00	.....	216 00	27 50
Monroe.....	A. U. Beall.....	950	950 00	.....	Par.	26 25
Total.....		\$17,300	\$16,489 52	\$810 48	\$456 00	\$819 05
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.....	<i>J. W. Cassatt, P. E.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Springfield : Central Church.....	E. T. Wells.....	\$1,400	\$1,400 00	.....	Par.	\$100 00
High Street.....	F. G. Mitchell.....	1,500	1,500 00	.....	Par.	100 00
Urbana : First Church.....	S. D. Clayton.....	1,200	1,200 00	.....	.....	126 21
Second Church.....	A. N. Spahr.....	1,300	1,300 00	.....	Par.	80 00
King's Creek Circuit.....	F. M. Clemans.....	775	625 00	\$150 00	Par.	27 00
" "	S. F. Conrey .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mingo & Tabor.....	A. W. Tibbits.....	700	623 52	76 48	.....	21 00
North Lewisburg.....	J. F. Loyd.....	800	800 00	.....	Par.	24 10
East Liberty.....	W. H. Smith.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Tremout.....	T. E. Fidler.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Union.....	C. H. Lawton.....	.....	.....	.....	\$120 00	40 00
Centerville.....	J. M. Shultz.....	800	800 00	.....	.....	14 25
New Jasper.....	C. T. Crum.....	800	725 00	75 00	.....	12 00
Mechanicsburg.....	M. Kauffman.....	833	833 00	.....	Par.	40 00
Moorefield.....	M. G. Baker.....	500	450 60	50 00	Par.	15 35
Yellow Springs.....	H. M. Keck.....	800	700 00	100 00	Par.	30 00
Jamestown.....	J. W. Mason.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 00
Catawba.....	.....	975	950 00	25 00	Par.	8 00
"	G. M. Hammell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Charleston.....	W. H. Black.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 00
Old Town.....	C. H. Kalbfus.....	700	630 00	70 00	.....	19 00
Cedarville.....	J. L. Gregg.....	725	725 00	.....	Par.	50 00
Total.....		\$13,808	\$13,261 52	\$546 48	\$375 00	\$872 91
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.....	<i>J. T. Bail, P. E.</i>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hillsboro.....	Lucien Clark.....	\$1,500	\$1,500 00	.....	.....	\$145 00
Greenfield.....	W. I. Fee.....	1,000	800 00	\$200 00	Par.	30 00
New Lexington.....	G. M. Edgar.....	750	600 00	150 00	.....	27 00
Leesburg.....	D. Whirmer.....	825	825 00	.....	\$110 00	37 65
Rainsboro	D. L. Hayward.....	625	625 00	.....	Par.	40 00
"	J. R. Hunter.....	550	550 00	.....	Par.	10 75
"	L. F. Young.....	550	550 00	.....	Par.	.....
Wilmington.....	J. P. Porter.....	1,000	850 00	150 00	Par.	22 00
Bowersville.....	D. L. Aultman.....	700	600 00	100 00	.....	10 00
Clarksville.....	J. I. Taggart.....	550	550 00	.....	100 00	48 25
Lynchburg.....	J. H. Middleton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lynchburg.....	J. M. Robinson.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sardinia.....	S. W. Edmiston.....	600	600 00	.....	.....	19 00

REPORTS.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	SALARIES.			House Rent..	Fifth Collect'n
		Fath'm'tes	Receipts..	Deficits..		
Sardinia.....	A. S. M'Collum.....	\$300	\$300 00			
Butlerville.....	Wm. Mahon.....	700	603 12	\$96 88		\$25 00
"	J. H. Davis.....	400	342 00	58 00	Par.	3 00
Marshall.....	J. C. Ambrose.....	600	535 00	65 00		
Martinsville.....	A. D. Raleigh.....	750	750 00			22 00
Winchester.....	E. M. Cole.....	900	844 56	55 44		34 00
"	E. D. Keyes.....					
Total.....		\$12,300	\$11,424 68	\$875 32	\$210 00	\$473 65
RIFLEY DISTRICT.....	Grantville Moody, P.E.					
Ripley.....	T. J. Harris.....	\$1,200	\$1,200 00			\$50 00
Felicity.....	W. J. Quarry.....	700	554 00	\$146 00	\$60 00	13 13
Georgetown.....	H. Miller.....	650	650 00		Par.	5 00
Bethel.....	A. D. Maddox.....					
New Richmond.....	A. Hamilton.....	600	450 00	150 00	Par.	10 00
Decatur.....	A. E. Higgins.....	500	460 00	40 00	Par.	32 00
Manchester.....	S. N. Marsh.....	700	644 12	55 88	Par.	25 00
Moscow.....	H. Stokes.....	700	700 00			2 00
Laurel.....	E. P. James.....	600	600 00		Par.	4 75
Amelia.....	L. M. Davis.....	550	520 00	30 00	Par.	19 00
Williamsburg.....	N. W. Darlington.....	700	503 71	196 29	Par.	18 00
Batavia.....	J. H. Lease.....				Par.	25 00
Aberdeen.....	W. P. Jackson.....	675	675 00		84 00	35 00
Boston.....	F. Hypes.....					14 25
Bantam.....	J. F. M'Colm.....	450	373 00	77 00		7 00
Olive Branch.....	J. Vance.....	600	600 00			22 00
Feesburg.....	W. M. Boyer.....	700	700 00			12 70
"	W. F. Eastman.....	500	500 00			
Marathon.....	C. J. Wells.....				Par.	25 00
West Union.....	T. D. W. Peak.....					17 00
"	F. Leever.....					
Total.....		\$9,825	\$9,129 83	\$695 17	\$144 00	\$386 83

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	SALARIES.			House Rent....	Fifth Collect'n.
	Fath'm'tes.	Receipts..	Deficits..		
East Cincinnati.....	\$19,716 00	\$19,639 14	\$276 86	\$1,566 88	\$1,341 58
West Cincinnati.....	21,815 00	21,225 64	692 36	1,300 00	1,248 33
Dayton.....	17,300 00	16,489 52	810 48	456 00	819 05
Springfield.....	13,808 00	13,261 52	546 48	375 00	872 91
Hillsboro.....	12,300 00	16,424 68	875 22	210 00	473 65
Ripley.....	9,825 00	9,129 83	695 17	144 00	336 83
Total.....	\$93,264 00	\$89,707 29	\$3,659 81	\$4,051 88	\$5,092 35

QUESTION 17. What are the claims upon the Conference fund?

Answer—\$9,903.25.

QUESTION 18. What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?

Answer—From Charges..... \$5,092 35

From Chartered Fund..... 30 00

From Mear's bequest..... 33 21

From Cincinnati Conference Trustees..... 100 00

Donation from Philip Phillips..... 19 50

Total..... \$5,275 06

DISBURSEMENTS.

CLAIMANT.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.	Paid.....	CLAIMANT.	TO WHOM DELIVERED.	Paid.....
	Estimate.....			Estimate.....	
E. H. Field.....	Self.....	\$400	Mrs. Brown.....	J. Pearson.....	\$200
J. C. Maddy.....	Geo. Peck.....	400	Mrs. Fowble.....	A. N. Spahr...	105 00
A. Murphy.....	J. G. Black.....	350	Mrs. Meredith.....	A. E. Higgins..	105 00
J. C. Deem.....	R. K. Deem.....	450	Mrs. Barton.....	J. F. Marlay..	105 00
J. A. Reeder.....	S. Weeks.....	200	Mrs. Marlay.....	D. Warnock...	105 00
W. E. Hines.....	J. Pearson.....	200	Mrs. I. I. Beall....	C. Ferguson...	105 00
D. Warnock.....	Self.....	100	Mrs. Neff.....	W. H. Suther-	
N. M'Donald.....	Self.....	200	land.....	land.....	
John Barton.....	W. Herr.....	100	Mrs. White.....	"	105 00
Mrs. Lorraine.....	J. I. Taggart..	350	Mrs. Austin.....	J. I. Taggart..	52 50
Mrs. Fyffe.....	J. H. Lease.....	300	Mrs. Simmons.....	G. C. Crum....	105 00
Mrs. Morrow.....	W. Runyan.....	300	Mrs. Sharp.....	J. F. Loyd....	105 00
Mrs. Stroud.....	T. Collett.....	300	Mrs. Miller.....	S. Beunett.....	52 50
Mrs. Shinn.....	J. C. Bolton....	300	Mrs. Kirk.....	J. Pearson.....	131 25
Mrs. Lovell.....	G. H. Dart....	300	Mrs. Cooper.....	"	52 50
Mrs. Newson.....	J. G. Black....	300	Mrs. Tomlinson....	"	105 00
Mrs. Hall.....	W. J. Quarry..	300	Mrs. Armstrong..	J. F. M'Colm..	52 50
Mrs. Curry.....	J. Pearson.....	250	Mrs. Bennett.....	T. H. Pearne..	105 00
Mrs. James Smith.	J. F. Marlay...	200	Miss Jennie Smith.	"	52 50
Mrs. Parish.....	W. N. Williams	300			
Mrs. Conner.....	L. Clark.....	200			
Mrs. Musgrove.....	N. H. Priuce..	100			
Mrs. Owens.....	Self.....	250			
Mrs. Routledge.....	E. C. Smith....	300			
Mrs. Callender.....	Wm. Young....	100			
Mrs. West.....	A. N. Spahr...	200			
			Donation of surplus to W. A. Arthur by Wm. Young.....		\$26 91
			Stationery.....		3 25
					5275 06

CONFERENCE STEWARDS' RESOLUTIONS.

1. *RESOLVED*, That a sum equivalent to ten per cent of the salaries paid in each presiding elder's district shall be the amount expected from the same for Conference claimants; and the district stewards are hereby requested to apportion the same to the respective charges according to the ability of each.

2. *Resolved*, That we hereby pledge ourselves to present this claim to our people as early in the year as practicable, giving it that prominence its merits demand.

3. *Resolved*, That in the passage of character, each pastor shall be requested to report the amount of his collection.

4. *Resolved*, That any pastor who may neglect to present this claim to his charge, or shall lightly excuse himself therefrom, will thereby expose himself to just censure.

5. *Resolved*, That estimating committees, in complying with the Discipline, paragraph 352, request claimants to furnish to the estimating committee appointed by the quarterly conference, and to the Board of Stewards of the Annual Conference, a full statement, in writing, annually, on the first day of Conference, of their financial condition, and that no claim be considered without such financial statement.

GENERAL STATISTICS, NO. I.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.

MEMBERSHIP.	BAPT.	CHURCH PROPERTY.										BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										
		Probable Value..					For Missions.					For S. S. Union.					American Bible Society					
		Churches.....		Parsonages.....			Churches...		For Conference Claimants...			Total.....		For R'd Church Extension...		For Tract Soc'y.			For Education..			
Deaths.....	Deaths.....	Adults	Children.....	Probable Value..	Probable Value..	Probable Value..	Churches.....	Sabbath-Schools...	Total.....	Churches...	Sabbath-Schools...	Total.....	For R'd Church Extension...	For Tract Soc'y.	For S. S. Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society...	For Education..	American Bible Society	For Education..	For Education..		
Local Preachers..	Local Preachers..	Full Members..	Probationers ...																			
EAST CINCINNATI DIST'T.																						
Cincinnati: Wesley Ch'l.	150	473	6	18	10	1	\$40,000	1	\$6,000	\$84 00	\$297 15	\$127 04	\$424 19	\$27 47	\$12 10	\$12 10	\$25 52	\$19 05	.....	.....	.....
Trinity.....	28	419	5	2	4	11	1	100,000	...	...	325 00	615 00	390 00	1,005 00	170 25	\$65 75	15 00	15 00	115 00	30 00	\$10 00
Asbury.....	13	215	2	5	11	21	1	22,000	59 27	47 41	104 75	152 16	42 93	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	5 00
Pendleton.....	8	89	...	1	11	3	1	4,000	...	...	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00
Pearl Street.....	34	176	...	8	2	1	8,000	1	3,000	22 35	121 28	...	121 28	...	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	1 50	
Mt. Auburn.....	12	76	...	1	1	8	1	18,000	...	...	57 91	11 50	150 00	161 51	25 00	62 60	2 10	6 10	28 10	28 00	28 00
Walnut Hills.....	21	322	1	3	12	6	1	48,000	1	10,000	250 00	...	270 00	...	235 87	13 33	13 33	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	
Grace Church.....	2	51	...	1	2	...	1	5,000	...	...	72 25	150 00	50 00	200 00	...	19 00	2 50	2 50	12 00	6 00	6 00
M'Kendree.....	60	242	...	2	9	9	1	5,000	...	...	72 60	153 50	108 70	262 20	...	...	...	...	140 00	...	...
Columbia.....	30	146	1	1	11	9	1	6,000	...	...	23 00	42 00	8 00	50 00	...	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 75	5 75	5 75
Madisonville.....	4	199	...	3	8	8	1	6,000	1	4,000	50 00	128 16	158 84	287 00	28 60	237 00	11 00	16 00	62 25	526 04	526 04	
Mt. Wash'n & Red Bank.....	12	107	1	2	4	20	2	12,500	...	...	25 00	100 00	21 00	121 00	...	5 58	3 00	3 81	4 35	4 35	4 35
Camp Dennison.....	7	232	2	4	...	24	5	8,000	...	...	29 00	76 40	12 42	88 82	...	8 80	8 80	8 80	11 25	11 25	11 25
Milford.....	3	164	1	3	2	6	2	5,500	...	...	30 45	53 00	21 00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Centenary.....	5	185	6	1	1	3	4	8,000	...	...	17 15	71 70	17 73	89 43	...	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 00	1 00
Loveland.....	3	106	1	...	8	8	1	4,000	...	...	3 00	16 63	1 37	18 00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maineville.....	10	230	2	...	...	3	3	3,000	...	...	5 00	33 00	7 00	40 00	...	1 00	1 00	75	50	50	50
Lebanon.....	10	265	3	2	1	19	1	12,000	1	3,000	45 00	105 78	50 00	155 78	30 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	20 00	20 00	
Goshen.....	10	240	1	1	...	1	1	3,000	1	1,500	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Morrow.....	14	186	1	1	1	1	17	3	7,500	...	5 50	39 00	3 00	42 00	...	...	...	...	40 00	40 00	40 00
Waynesville.....	10	220	1	1	1	1	1	6,000	1	1,500	24 00	89 75	42 25	132 00	...	7 10	4 50	4 50	10 00	10 00	10 00	
New Burlington.....	26	380	7	10	6	8,500	1	1,000	19 20	78 75	3 56	82 31	...	...	...	...	...	...	4 50	4 50	4 50
Xenia: First Church.....	9	395	1	...	4	20	1	22,000	1	6,000	41 00	119 00	116 63	235 63	...	13 00	5 00	5 00	51 00	5 00	20 00	
Trinity.....	1	225	1	2	...	1	1	30,000	43 40	95 48	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 70	15 70	15 70
Miami Circuit.....	3	390	4	7	...	9	8	5,800	1	600	32 00	54 52	3 98	58 50	...	5 00	1 00	1 00	6 00	1 00	1 00	
Total.....	485	5,733	40	56	117	224	50	\$397,800	10	\$36,600	\$1,337 08	\$3,303 45	\$1,667 27	\$4,970 72	\$324 25	\$701 70	\$72 03	\$81 09	\$688 91	\$721 59	\$65 70	
WEST CINCINNATI Dis't.																						
Cincinnati: St. Paul.....	20	534	2	3	6	10	1	180,000	1	15,000	400 68	1,553 99	772 66	2,326 65	260 00	150 17	35 00	35 00	503 84	15 97	.....
St. John's.....	11	130	1	1	6	4	1	30,000	...	...	18 20	14 00	64 00	78 00	...	1 50	1 40	4 10	3 00	1 35	.....
Christie.....	30	353	3	5	3	1	30,000	73 00	317 35	57 11	374 46	10 00	10 00	10 00		
Flinley.....	7	125	1	2	8	3	1	25,000	25 00	25 00	15 00	40 00	

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York Street.....	30	270	1	10	11	3	1	20,000	32 00	158 00	50 00	208 00	8 00	5 00	3 00	7 00	3 00	
M'Lean	8	210	1	4	20	8	1	12,000	12 00	20 00	40 00	5 00	10 00	
Fairmount.....	5	45	...	...	1	5	1	7,000	...	...	12 00	20 00	40 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....
Cumminsville & C'p W'n.....	80	...	4	...	...	1	1	3,000	...	...	38 75	127 25	.....	127 25	40 00	11 25	.....	74 25	.....	.....	.....
Groesbeck.....	5	123	2	...	6	...	2	1,300	...	...	20 00	7 94	68 06	76 00	.....	50	50	50	10 00	50	.....
Winton Place.....	1	52	...	...	...	1	1	1,000	...	...	63 25	124 00	.....	124 00	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....
Hartwell & Carthage.....	82	...	2	6	14	2	2	11,500	...	...	35 00	400 00	150 00	38 60	10 00	12 85	40 35	64 00	18 50	.....	
Lockland.....	8	225	1	2	12	10	1	31,000	1	8,000	125 00	365 25	100 00	3 75	4 75	3 75	3 75	8 00	3 75	3 75		
Port Union.....	15	194	...	5	28	4	...	7,000	1	1,500	60 00	90 00	100 00	100 00	3 75	3 75	3 75	15 00	15 00	.....	
Cheviot.....	4	77	1	2	2	5	1	1,000	...	...	5 00	43 00	32 00	75 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethany.....	2	186	1	3	2	1	2	7,000	1	1,800	26 00	81 75	53 25	135 00	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00
Hamilton.....	10	460	...	2	2	2	1	20,000	1	4,000	76 25	190 00	100 00	290 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	15 00	6 36	.....	
Oxford.....	20	338	2	4	3	29	1	30,000	1	2,500	70 00	181 93	85 42	267 35	52 75	20 00	3 50	3 50	30 00	4 00	28 00	
Venice.....	30	134	1	...	3	4	...	3,400	1	1,200	6 57	25 50	25 50	25 50	25 50	25 50	25 50	25 50	25 50	25 50	25 50	
Harrison.....	7	133	...	2	1	13	1	15,000	...	...	36 30	53 20	10 64	63 84	4 08	2 50	2 50	3 03	5 00	.....	.....
Eaton.....	7	336	1	5	6	8	1	30,000	1	3,000	54 00	152 00	62 00	214 00	26 00	3 00	3 00	51 00	52 00	.....	.....
Camden.....	2	249	2	4	1	10	4	6,100	1	1,500	12 00	58 35	5 65	64 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Seven-mile.....	13	194	...	2	24	13	5	6,800	1	1,200	50 00	45 00	15 00	60 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	30 00	2 00	.....	.....
New Paris.....	2	150	...	1	...	7	5	4,000	1	500	9 00	12 00	3 25	15 25	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....
Fairhaven & Sugar Val'y.....	3	145	1	2	...	3	2	3,500	1	1,800	20 00	32 88	7 12	40 00	3 10	8 60	8 60	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walker & Union.....	5	130	1	2	11	20	2	3,000	...	...	10 00	55 00	55 00	5 06	5 06	5 06	5 06	5 06	5 06	5 06	5 06
North Bend.....	3	187	1	4	...	6	6	3,000	5 00	8 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00
Total.....	248	5,142	22	65	133	208	53	\$491,600	12	\$42,000	\$1,248 00	\$3,741 39	\$1,471 16	\$5,212 55	\$511 50	\$331 95	\$6 65	\$73 20	\$797 07	\$161 93	\$102 25	
DAYTON DISTRICT.																						
Dayton : Grace Church..	19	636	2	5	16	5	1	100,000	1	15,000	203 00	246 00	404 88	650 88	88 15	40 30	2 00	3 00	57 97	18 75	.....
Raper Chapel.....	20	500	4	4	...	15	1	30,000	1	6,000	95 25	147 50	183 92	331 42	.....	2 50	2 50	25 00	.....	20 00	.....
Sears Ch'l & Ebenezer.....	12	174	2	...	8	3	2	6,000	...	...	6 80	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	2 25
Davison Chapel.....	8	125	2	3	2	1	1	6,000	...	...	7 00	9 05	2 00	11 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Troy : Mulberry Street.	36	337	...	4	13	27	1	15,000	1	3,500	51 00	102 00	57 00	159 00	102 00	17 00	4 00	4 00	17 00	29 47	.....
Second Church.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tippecanoe.....	14	190	2	6	37	1	1	1,500	...	...	4 29	10 75	10 75	10 75	10 75	10 75	10 75	10 75	10 75	1 48	1 48
Addison.....	32	459	4	4	...	56	8	8,000	1	1,000	75 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	63 00	
Concord.....	28	155	1	1	...	4	...	10,000	1	600	38 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	
Lewisburg.....	23	264	2	5	2	11	9	10,300	1	1,200	20 00	36 25	3 75	40 00	10 00	3 00	5 60	5 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Germant'n & Winchester	24	232	1	4	8	18	3	15,000	...	...	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00
Piqua : Green Street....	15	450	3	3	8	25	1	30,000	1	3,000	.....	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00
Grace Ch. & Covington.	10	200	1	4	...	4	1	10,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lockington.....	10	268	3	4	...	4	4	4,000	1	800	10 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	50 00	5 00	2 00	1 50	10 00	3 00	3 00	
Fletcher.....	6	268	...	2	1	20	4	14,000	1	500	5 00	55 00	55 00	55 00	55 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	
St. Paris & Lena.....	15	281	2	1	...	1	2	13,500	...	...	26 00	83 00	83 00	5 00	14 00	22 00	22 00	22 00	22 00	22 00	22 00
Brant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Miamisburg.....	38	216	2	1	6	2	2	12,000	1	1,500	30 00	65 00	30 00	95 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	5 00	16 50	16 50	16 50	
Franklin.....	35	265	4	4	60	1	1	15,000	...	...	1 00	140 00	140 00	48 00	48 00	11 25	6 00	11 25	6 00	11 25	6 00
Red Lion & Springboro.	5	240	1	4	3	4	1	20,000	1	1,500	26 50	64 55	9 03	73 58	20 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	4 90	4 90	4 90	
Fairfield.....	64	276	2	4	16	3	11,000	1	500	13 78	43 50	43 50	43 50	1 00	2 00	2 00	2 50	2 50	2 50	2 50		
New Carlisle.....	49	362	1	3	6	40	3	15,000	1	2,500	56 00	71 89	10 61	82 50	1 25	1 00	2 00	3 50	1 00	6 00	6 00	

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Bowersville.....	59	475	5	4	...	92	6	6,500	...	10 00	80 00	80 00	20 00	20 00	1 40	10 00	10 00	3 18			
Clarksville.....	4	246	1	3	...	10	2	4,600	1	1,000	48 25	82 70	3 80	86 50	1 60	5 10	1 00	5 00	2 00	1 25	
Lynchburg.....	10	530	3	10	...	30	8	15,000	1	700	...	70 00	...	70 00	...	18 00	...	...	...
Sardinia.....	130	300	3	1	1	...	7	10,000	1	900	16 00	41 75	...	41 75	...	14 00	...	14 00	...		
Butterville.....	55	578	1	9	6	19	9	13,200	1	800	25 00	95 00	5 00	100 00	...	13 00	1 75	13 60	...		
Marshall.....	21	318	2	7	...	6	5	3,700	1	400	...	30 25	...	30 25	...	2 00	1 50	2 25	...		
Martinsville.....	12	280	2	5	4	12	5	8,000	...	22 00	62 00	13 00	75 00	...	10 00	1 00	22 00	...	...
Winchester.....	20	455	5	4	...	1	8	12,000	1	700	34 00	63 75	19 75	83 50	...	8 00	...	10 00	22 25	...	
Total.....	465	5,955	33	75	35	264	77	\$160,200	12	\$17,800	\$456 90	\$1,019 50	\$214 65	\$1,234 15	\$150 58	\$134 20	\$32 65	\$10 80	\$137 00	\$37 89	\$6 43
RIPLEY DISTRICT.																					
Ripley.....	5	345	2	7	10	4	1	37,000	1	2,500	50 00	125 00	25 00	150 00	...	5 00	5 00	10 10	...	...
Felicity.....	58	330	2	3	...	22	3	3,500	...	13 13	. 33 90	6 10	40 00	16 00	...	...	3 00	...	...	...
Georgetown.....	3	151	1	...	18	1	12,000	1	1,200	...	...	19 00	19 00	...	...	...	...	2 75	...	...
Bethel.....	5	330	4	3	3	7	4	5,000	1	1,000	...	50 00	...	50 00	...	5 85	...	5 85	3 65	...	
New Richmond.....	12	130	1	1	...	2	1	7,000	1	2,000	5 00	30 00	...	30 00	...	1 00	1 00	...	...	1 00
Decatur.....	1	233	2	1	4	5	4	3,800	1	600	32 00	63 65	2 35	66 00	...	5 50	3 00	3 00	5 25	...	
Manchester.....	67	381	2	4	7	57	3	5,800	1	1,200	25 00	50 00	15 00	65 00	49 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	...	
Moscow.....	25	344	1	3	...	16	4	3,500	...	2 00	36 00	...	36 00	...	...	...	75	...	...	...
Laurel.....	13	274	1	5	6	4	4	5,000	1	500	5 00	40 00	...	40 00	...	1 00	...	1 00	...	...
Amelia.....	24	318	2	...	14	4	4	6,800	1	1,500	19 00	21 00	10 00	31 00	...	10 00	1 30	1 30	10 00	1 00	
Williamsburg.....	5	256	2	5	2	2	2	6,000	1	1,200	18 00	70 54	4 46	75 00	12 35	5 00	5 00	5 00	10 10	3 00	
Batavia.....	40	300	1	6	15	30	3	6,000	1	1,200	25 00	67 00	8 00	75 00	...	...	8 00	10 00	...	...
Aberdeen.....	11	300	3	1	...	6	4	6,500	...	35 00	85 00	...	85 00	...	6 00	2 00	2 00	6 00	4 00	...	
Boston.....	12	282	..	7	3	9	2	11,000	...	14 25	50 00	6 37	56 37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bantam.....	12	259	2	9	...	5	4	3,700	...	...	56 15	1 85	58 00	...	5 00	4 00	4 00	6 00	5 00	...
Olive Branch.....	10	256	2	9	8	23	5	9,400	...	27 00	70 00	...	70 00	...	6 00	1 10	2 25	7 00	2 00	...	
Feesburg.....	30	566	4	8	5	33	8	9,000	1	700	12 70	102 55	6 12	108 67	...	15 00	1 00	2 00	5 00	4 00	
Marathon.....	16	320	3	8	3	8	5	8,000	1	400	25 00	31 50	...	31 50	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Union.....	40	437	3	6	10	16	7	6,000	1	800	17 05	52 00	...	52 00	...	6 18	...	75	1 00	80	...
Total.....	389	5,812	38	86	76	281	69	\$155,000	13	\$14,800	\$325 13	\$1,034 29	\$104 25	\$1,138 54	\$77 35	\$70 53	\$28 40	\$31 30	\$83 95	\$41 20	\$1 00

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DISTRICTS.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																				
	For Missions.		For B'd Church Extension.....		For Wom's For. Miss. Soc'y...		For S. S. Union.		For Tract Soc'y..		American Bible Society.....		For Education...		For Freedmen's Aid Society...						
	Total																				
East Cincinnati.....	485	5733	40	56	117	224	50	\$397,800	10	\$36,600	\$1337 08	\$3303 45	\$1667 27	\$4,970 72	\$324 25	\$701 70	\$72 03	\$81 09	\$688 91	\$721 59	\$65 70
West Cincinnati.....	248	5142	22	65	133	208	53	491,600	12	42,000	1248 00	3741 39	1471 16	5,212 55	511 50	331 95	66 65	73 20	797 07	161 93	102 25
Dayton.....	479	6205	36	61	92	376	56	373,300	14	40,600	722 37	1353 71	851 19	2,204 93	264 15	108 55	14 50	22 60	175 22	37 55	107 20
Springfield.....	438	5483	25	84	58	277	57	239,180	16	42,300	730 55	1854 81	517 12	2,371 93	425 13	226 60	25 90	28 50	280 00	143 72	120 95
Hillsboro.....	465	5955	33	75	35	264	77	160,200	12	17,800	456 90	1019 50	214 65	1,234 15	150 58	134 20	32 65	10 86	137 10	37 99	6 43
Ripley.....	386	5812	38	86	76	281	69	155,000	13	14,800	325 13	1034 29	104 25	1,138 54	77 35	70 53	28 40	31 30	83 95	41 20	1 00
Grand Total.....	2501	34330	194	427	511	1630	362	1,817,080	77	194,100	4820 03	12307 18	4825 64	17,132 82	1752 96	1573 53	240 13	247 55	2162 25	1143 98	403 53
Last Year.....	2558	33498	200	452	573	1623	363	1,693,720	81	192,000	4795 22	11111 02	4420 61	15,531 63	2660 58	1603 90	217 63	279 25	2064 59	475 13	783 49
Increase.....	832	7	...	123,360	...	2,100	24 81	1196 16	405 03	1,601 19	22 50	97 66	668 85	
Decrease.....	57	6	25	62	...	1	4	907 62	30 37	31 70	379 96	379 96		

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.			COLLECTIONS, ETC.												
			S. S. Classmates taken.				Total Expenses of Schools this year...				SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.				Special Collections.....
S. S. Journals taken.	S. S. Advocates taken.	S. S. Classmates taken.	Total Expenses of Schools this year...	S. S. Classmates taken.	Total Expenses of Schools this year...	Average Attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	Scholars in Inf. Clas.	Scholars under 15 except Infant Class...	Scholars 15 years old and over.....	Scholars of all ages...	Conversions.....	Library Books.....	Books.....	Special Collections.....	
\$800 00	500 00	67 CO	\$176 360	80	175 27	145	53	213	117	310	15	971	700	11	
CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			Members or probators	92	95 50	95	50	233	180	290	10	400	133	25	
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel.....	\$37 50	\$2,500	Officers & Teach'rs Ch.	29	34	75	50	118	12	50	10	370	56	10	
Trinity.....	50 00		Men's or probat'rn.	23	30	23	15	115	15	57	9	21	92	6	
Asbury.....	17 50		Average Attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	169	196	15	17	291	44	100	46	300	50	15	
Pendleton.....	2 50	200	Scholars in Inf. Clas.	160	196	15	17	44	46	25	21	50	50	10	
Pearl Street.....	1 50	52	Scholars under 15 except Infant Class...	145	95	95	95	100	145	25	20	125	125	23	
Mt. Auburn.....	6 35	92	Scholars 15 years old and over.....	117	60	60	57	110	75	50	15	125	125	18	
Walnut Hille.....	62 50	\$8,000	Scholars of all ages...	53	50	213	145	169	196	160	15	971	700	11	
Grace Church.....	18 75	1,700	Officers and Teachers	145	95	95	95	160	196	160	15	400	133	25	
M'Kendree.....	20 00		No. Sunday-schools.	53	50	213	145	169	196	160	15	300	50	10	
Columbia.....	5 28	4,520	Receipts for Ministerial Support.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Madisonville.....	20 00		Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Mt. Washington and Red Bank.....	15 00		Claims for Ministerial Support.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Camp Dennison.....	15 00		Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Milford.....	15 00		Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Centenary.....	4 00		Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Loveland.....	5 00	150	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Mainville.....	1 50		Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Lebanon.....	25 00		Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Goshen.....	10 00		Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Morrow.....	4 00		Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Waynesville.....	12 35		Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
New Burlington.....	4 08		Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Xenia: First Church.....	30 00	400	Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Trinity.....	30 00		Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Miami Circuit.....	2 50	150	Officers and Teachers	1 29	35	290	117	180	180	117	60	150	21	125	
Total.....	\$415 36	\$8,064	Support of Bishops.....	10 104	600	337	205	58	445	73	65	10	1,022	107	
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.															
Cincinnati: St. Paul.....	100 00	400	4,320	4,320	2	43	484	70	259	155	341	36	120	10	
St. John's.....	20 00	24	7,500	888	1	28	160	34	94	32	135	19	550	155	

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Concord.....	10 43	32	610	685	1	6	100	40	60	50	6	30	...	400	15	...	40	2	
Lewisburg.....	14 00	44	300	800	713	6	101	471	200	164	102	289	86	93	19	100	57	...	170	12	
Germantown and Winchester.....	4 60	.....	.....	565	516	2	36	225	.....	.....	25	218	27	110	19	225	100	...	100	12	.....
Plqua: Green Street.....	.....	.....	1,350	1,350	1	35	500	300	150	50	400	34	150	30	700	150	...	30	...	30	.....
Grace Church and Covington.....	.....	4,000	.....	.....	1	18	175	70	30	75	115	18	50	...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	.....
Lockington.....	5 00	.....	700	514	2	28	200	20	.....	.....	150	35	...	5	...	30	...	...	...	...	.....
Fletcher.....	12 00	.....	761	710	4	45	250	152	.....	.....	173	38	...	4	390	...	...	120	25	.....	
St. Paris and Lena.....	18 00	7,000	500	855	855	2	34	165	80	50	35	120	30	63	7	...	55	...	38	...	.....
Brant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Milamisburg.....	18 00	.....	950	950	1	24	243	103	95	43	167	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	150	29	.....
Franklin.....	9 00	480	500	1,080	1,080	1	23	250	.....	.....	40	180	23	80	90	250	50	...	23	...	.....
Red Lion and Springboro.....	14 00	30	800	800	2	31	175	100	30	45	145	31	100	15	200	50	...	80	25	...	.....
Fairfield.....	4 58	78	11,000	777	481	3	40	257	124	73	60	190	37	90	...	280	111	...	18	...	.....
New Carlisle.....	19 00	.....	800	723	3	47	470	260	114	96	281	47	296	109	300	97	...	90	39	...	.....
Middletown.....	16 05	50	1,900	1,100	1,100	1	21	115	45	50	20	110	21	30	25	200	30	...	23	...	.....
Monroe.....	10 00	130	950	950	2	18	80	50	20	10	60	18	60	...	45	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Total.....	\$270 67	\$10,044	\$20,800	\$18,383	\$17,343	46	793	6,045	2,232	1,438	1,074	3,544	661	1,407	562	4,255	\$1,503	...	1,607	360	.....
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.																						
Springfield: Central Church.....	32 00	349	2,177	1,540	1,540	2	44	462	.....	.....	75	295	44	...	...	680	20	...	285	37	.....
High Street.....	32 00	2,000	1,500	1,635	1,635	1	32	225	122	63	40	155	30	70	2	439	96	...	30	...	.....
Urbana: First Church.....	.....	.....	1,200	1,200	1	40	320	205	115	65	275	40	150	27	750	251	...	30	...	.....
Second Church.....	20 00	450	.....	1,300	1,300	1	26	170	.....	.....	50	130	26	26	...	...	100	...	100	25	.....
Kling's Creek.....	26 00	100	.....	1,400	1,400	9	98	530	210	200	120	...	40	350	60	800	350	...	60	...	.....
Mingo and Tabor.....	13 00	.....	780	704	3	36	164	89	47	28	151	31	57	16	...	100	...	45	22	...	.....
North Lewisburg.....	23 00	34	900	900	2	39	275	105	80	90	140	35	65	8	300	35	...	90	13	...	.....
East Liberty.....	13 80	45	760	760	4	32	200	112	56	32	160	32	114	12	200	90	...	36	...	.....
Tremont.....	.....	790	.....	3	28	175	75	60	40	135	58	...	14	400	39	...	13	...	...	.....
Union.....	16 00	100	800	800	5	62	273	185	55	33	178	45	126	7	300	53	...	65	30	...	.....
Centerville.....	16 00	8	875	875	3	40	200	90	50	60	160	35	100	9	...	35	...	150	12	...	.....
New Jasper.....	5 00	50	800	725	3	44	200	125	50	25	120	45	85	10	175	30	...	40	8	...	.....
Mechanicsburg.....	25 00	350	833	833	1	28	229	100	69	60	221	27	100	30	360	134	...	100	22	...	.....
Moorefield.....	6 60	.....	500	450	2	15	100	50	25	25	...	15	...	20	...	10	...	12	...	.....
Yellow Springs.....	.....	800	700	1	17	120	80	20	20	100	16	35	50	...	33	...	50	12	...	.....
Jamestown.....	20 00	1,500	600	980	980	1	23	200	.....	28	135	23	...	3	...	48	...	22	...	.....
Catawba.....	14 00	2,600	3,000	975	950	6	60	450	150	200	100	400	50	400	18	200	...	50	17	...	.....
South Charleston.....	24 00	175	1,100	1,100	2	36	228	116	79	36	174	36	75	20	175	55	...	75	24
Old Town.....	11 00	.....	750	655	5	44	349	160	110	79	250	57	100	17	625	27	...	8	...	...	.....
Cedarville.....	.....	100	774	774	3	32	274	145	99	30	209	32	130	76	175	68	...	25	23	...	.....
Total.....	\$297 40	\$7,861	\$7,277	\$19,492	\$18,281	58	776	5,144	2,119	1,375	1,036	3,388	717	1,967	399	5,519	\$1,574	...	1,075	456
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.																						
Hillsboro.....	25 00	.....	1,500	1,500	1	40	300	.....	.....	75	250	40	175	60	400	117	...	100	30	...	.....
Greenfield.....	14 40	100	1,000	800	1	24	213	90	70	55	121	24	...	4	...	112	...	2	22	...	.....
New Lexington.....	5 00	5,600	400	750	600	4	41	227	156	59	12	155	37	59	15	...	42	...	98	12
Leesburg.....	6 65	5	61	112	156	106	51	249	44	66	6	...	43	...	58	24	

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.		COLLECTIONS, ETC.										SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.										
		S. S. Journals taken.					S.S. Advocates taken.					S.S. Classmates taken.					Total Expenses of School this year...					Special Collections.....
Rainsboro	\$10 00	\$700	\$685	\$685	4	46	334	157	138	39	185	43	130	11	215	\$31	..	25	23	..	..
Sinking Springs	8 00	..... \$200	1,000	850	11	98	560	.....	.....	.....	75	140	22	.....	.....	260	42	..	18	..	\$13 74
Wilmington	10 00	370	625	625	6	73	453	230	125	108	350	67	197	57	270	56	25	49	14	..	..
Bowersville	10 00	150	50	1,400	3	42	226	129	65	32	170	42	80	6	535	57	..	87	23	..	..
Clarksville	14 00	80	650	980	7	100	250	125	75	50	170	70	100	5	300	50	..	20	15	..	..
Lynchburg	14 00	825	825	825	6	40	394	211	133	50	241	40	132	30	.....	20	..	121	46	..	..
Sardinia	14 00	900	844	844	6	98	753	362	24 ^t	146	464	85	267	12	690	165	..	..	..	..	..
Butlerville	14 00	700	700	700	5	25	200	75	50	75	100	25	100	31	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Marshall	14 00	900	844	844	6	31	312	122	168	22	.....	.....	.....	..	700	..	..	..	..	..	..
Martinsville	Total	\$120 05	\$6,900	\$1,400	\$12,335	74	771	4,959	1,912	1,284	790	2,595	539	1,306	282	3,370	\$735	25	560	260	\$13 74	
RIPLEY DISTRICT.		S. S. Journals taken.										S.S. Advocates taken.										
Ripley	10 00	400	1,390	1,390	1	36	385	115	125	87	228	34	.....	8	600	118	..	150	25	..	..
Felicity	12 00	.....	700	554	2	34	200	155	29	16	160	34	120	45	300	34	..	40	12	..	..
Georgetown	8 00	.....	650	650	1	15	200	125	40	35	60	15	45	..	.....	..	..	60	..	80	22
Bethel	8 00	.....	570	570	4	49	265	147	71	47	173	45	143	8	..	..	..	60	..	80	..
New Richmond	8 00	47	50	600	1	15	130	60	50	20	100	55	40	5	150	75	..	15	..	..	..
Decatur	8 00	.....	500	460	2	26	176	109	55	12	103	26	99	1	200	20	..	18	..	..	..
Manchester	10 00	.....	700	644	3	50	475	225	110	140	215	44	146	80	50	220	..	115	35	..	..
Moscow	2 00	5	700	700	4	42	250	150	75	25	185	40	.....	..	300	..	..	60	22	..	..
Laurel	5 00	40	600	600	4	45	257	.....	.....	30	195	..	.....	13	400	47	..	40	..	..	..
Amelia	9 50	22	30	550	3	40	295	132	95	68	200	39	130	21	350	45	..	40	17	..	..
Williamsburg	5 75	20	450	778	5	30	150	.....	.....	25	159	26	50	5	500	26	..	22	..	..	..
Batavia	12 00	.....	200	900	4	40	300	150	94	56	225	35	125	45	..	125	..	100	..	..	..
Aberdeen	8 00	18	675	675	4	46	308	160	98	50	225	46	200	8	..	30	..	100	15	..	..
Boston	9 50	.....	805 .....	.....	3	40	250	.....	.....	39	164	..	12	..	..	76	40	40	21	..	..
Bantam	8 00	130	600	498	2	24	150	70	70	10	102	24	90	5	..	50	20	50	12	..	..
Olive Branch	8 00	770	600	600	4	50	311	188	73	50	180	45	278	18	756	50	..	33	..	..	..
Feesburg	15 00	1,500	300	1,340	1,228	8	89	485	320	104	61	328	88	46	335	..	128	42	..	..	..
Marathon	3 00	400	1,000	660	4	60	275	175	50	50	185	47	115	20	70	..	100	22	..	..	..
West Union	10 75	200	1,000	1,100	6	50	382	191	127	64	300	30	95	16	900	52	95	83	5	..	..
Total	\$144 50	\$3,552	\$3,630	\$14,316	\$10,868 62	781	5,224	2,472	1,266	885	3,487	671	1,676	356	4,841	\$1,098 155	1,080	384	

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DISTRICTS.	COLLECTIONS, ETC.										SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.										
	S. S. Journals taken..	S. S. Advocates taken..	S. S. Glassmutes taken..	Total Expenses of Schools this year ..	LIBRARY Books.....	Conversions.....	Scholars who are Ch. Mem's or Prob'at's.	Officers & Teachers Ch. Men's or Prob'at's.	Average Attendance of Teachers & Scholars.	Scholars in Inv. Clas.	Scholars under 15 except Infant Clas...	Scholars 15 years old and over.....	Scholars of all ages..	Officers and Teachers.	No. of Sunday schools.	Receipts for Ministerial Support.....	Claims for Ministerial Support.....	Indebtedness on Ch's and Parsonages...	Building and Improving Churches and Parsonages.....	Support of Bishops...	Special Collections.....
East Cincinnati....	\$415 36	\$8,064	\$10,272	\$29,265	\$26,734	48	727	5,901	2,317	1,591	1,390	3,887	611	1,138	261	7,078	\$2,372	580	1,378	434	\$2,123 39
West Cincinnati...	360 35	10,678	23,283	27,607	24,284	52	728	6,096	1,891	2,024	1,432	4,336	561	1,337	244	7,107	3,809	621	2,176	509	1,253 64
Dayton.....	270 67	10,044	20,860	18,383	17,343	46	793	6,045	2,232	1,438	1,074	3,544	661	1,407	562	4,255	1,503	.....	1,307	360	.....
Springfield.....	297 40	7,861	7,277	19,492	18,281	58	776	5,144	2,119	1,375	1,036	3,388	717	1,957	399	5,519	1,574	.....	1,075	456	.....
Hillsboro.....	120 05	6,900	1,400	12,335	10,038	74	771	4,959	1,912	1,284	790	2,595	539	1,306	282	3,370	735	25	560	260	13 74
Ripley.....	144 50	3,552	3,630	14,316	10,868	62	781	5,224	2,472	1,266	885	3,487	671	1,676	356	4,841	1,098	155	1,086	384	.....
Grand Total.....	\$1,608 33	\$47,999	\$66,662	\$121,397	\$107,548	340	4,576	33,369	12,943	8,976	6,607	21,237	3,760	8,821	2,104	32,170	\$11,091	1,381	7,882	2,403	\$3,390 67
Total last year...	872 59	131,057	50,129	123,492	109,689	362	4,694	33,719	13,948	9,273	5,871	21,002	4,064	8,152	2,097	36,183	14,674	.....	9,945	2,431	.....
Increase.....	\$735 74	.....	\$16,533	.....	.....	22	118	350	1,005	297	736	235	.....	669	7	.....	1,381	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	\$83,958	.....	\$2,095	\$2,141	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	304	.....	.....	4,013	\$3,583	.....	2,063	28	.....	.....	.....

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

THE Committee on Church Statistics are glad to report that the statistics from the various charges have, with few exceptions, come into the hands of the Committee in good time; yet we regret that there are still some who are not ready with their reports until the third or fourth day of the session, while from three or four charges no report at all has been received. Such charges are wronged by the delinquency of their pastors, and should complain to them. Your Committee believe that it is the design of the Conference that all the spaces in the blanks be filled, and regret that many reports come to their hands imperfect in this respect.

In order to facilitate the preparation of the statistics of the Conference, we ask the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Statistical Secretaries of the Conference be requested to send the statistical blanks and collection envelopes to the presiding elders, for their preachers in charge, three months before the Conference session.

2. *Resolved*, That we consider it the imperative duty of all the preachers in charge to be ready to hand in their reports on the first day of the conference session.

3. *Resolved*, That a special session of Conference be held on the afternoon of the first day, for the purpose of presenting statistical reports and collections.

4. *Resolved*, That the Statistical Secretaries shall not be required to receive and enter statistics presented after the second day of the session.

W. B. MOLER, *President.*

W. MAHON, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Ohio Wesleyan University.

FOREMOST among our many excellent educational institutions is the Ohio Wesleyan University. The late joint action of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Wesleyan Female College and the Ohio Wesleyan University has placed both institutions under the control of the trustees of the latter, thus effecting a consolidation of the two institutions, and thereby granting ladies all the privileges of the University. The co-education of the sexes, for which this action provides, is a matter which has long been thought to be desirable by many of the foremost educators of the land, and is now introduced into the Ohio Wesleyan University under auspices which give the most hopeful assurances of the wisdom of the action.

As it now appears to us, we do most heartily commend this action, and bespeak for the institution an appreciative patronage.

THE FACULTY,

with Rev. C. H. Payne, D. D., LL. D., for President, presents an array of talent and scholarship never before excelled in the history of the University, and commends it every-where and to all who wish to put their children under efficient instructors. The report of the examiners for the past year shows great thoroughness to have been observed on the part of both professors and students, bringing eminently satisfactory results in the scholarship of the classes. We find the moral culture of this institution to be very superior. A continuous reference is had to the religious well-being of the students, and during the past year many have been converted. We are gratified to know that the Faculty has recently dealt efficiently with dancing, billiard-playing, and popular vices of that class, and that these practices are not tolerated among the students of the University. Care is also bestowed to see that all the students make the Bible a personal text-book. Some of the Christian Fathers have been wisely substituted for the heathen classics. In the course of study, each year of which, as detailed in the Annual Catalogue, shows a determination to lay a broad and deep foundation for a high grade of scholarship, it is the purpose of the Faculty to give increased attention to the English language and literature, to writing and speaking the English language correctly.

The financial condition of the University is very hopeful. The annual exhibit, made June 16, 1877, shows assets, above all liabilities, of \$411,673.29, which includes \$233,000 of permanent endowment. But while this is true, there is great need of additional endowment.

The present corps of teachers are greatly overworked, because they are required to do extra service which properly belongs to others if there was money to pay them. We therefore earnestly recommend that all our preachers be on the lookout to secure endowments, bequests by will, and contributions, to increase the efficiency of this time-honored institution; and that the Conference use all sanctified endeavors to redeem its promise to raise an endowment of \$30,000.

One of the most hopeful features of the University is the enthusiasm in its behalf on the part of its students, alumni, and friends. Only let this continue and intensify, bringing forth ample endowment and largely increased patronage, and the near future will see this, one of the fruits of the Wesleyan reformation, a university in fact as it now is in name. Your Committee recommend the following:

1. *Resolved*, That as a connectional measure, calculated to widen the influence and usefulness of the University, we do cordially indorse the action of the trustees recommending that the Kentucky Conference be invited to a joint patronage of the University, under the provision of the State law to this effect.

2. *Resolved*, That we will welcome among us any agent of the University whom the trustees may approve, and will gladly co-operate with him in the effort to complete the endowment of the University, with the understanding that all that is secured within our bounds shall be credited to the Cincinnati Conference Professorship.

3. *Resolved*, That the undesignated funds now in the hands of the

Cincinnati Conference Educational Society (including those collected the past year) be paid into the treasury of the Ohio Wesleyan University, to be used in aiding needy students from that institution, from the bounds of this Conference, preparing for the ministry of our Church.

4. *Resolved*, That all moneys and subscriptions obtained for the endowment of the Cincinnati Conference Professorship, be placed in the hands of the trustees of the University.

5. *Resolved*, That Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., be reappointed trustee of the University for the ensuing five years.

6. *Resolved*, That we recommend the reappointment of the Rev. Chas. H. Payne, D. D., LL. D., to the Presidency, the Rev. L. D. M'Cabe, D. D., LL. D., to the Chair of Philosophy, and the appointment of the Rev. J. T. Short, A. M., to be Adjunct Professor of English Language and Literature of the University.

7. *Resolved*, That Rev. A. Meharry, D. D., and Rev. M. Dustin, D. D., be appointed as visitors and examiners of the University for the ensuing year.

Wesleyan College for Ladies.

We have reason to congratulate the trustees and patrons of this pioneer institution for female education on the eminent success which has attended the labors of the President, Rev. D. H. Moore, D. D., and of the corps of excellent teachers associated with him. The Committee of Examination report that the oral examinations were highly satisfactory, the written examination papers unusually excellent, the government kindly firm, and the boarding department delightful and home-like. Two hundred and sixteen pupils were enrolled during the last year, and were gathered from fifteen different States and territories. The president, principal, and professors are experienced, devoted, effective. The courses of study are wisely arranged, and of a high standard. The buildings are accessible, elegant, convenient. The facilities and improvements are modern and approved. The College deserves a very large patronage, and, as its great advantages become better known, its attendance and usefulness will be largely increased. We recommend the reappointment of Rev. D. H. Moore, D. D., President; and that Revs. S. D. Clayton, Jas. Murray, S. A. Brewster, F. S. Davis, J. F. Conrey, and the pastors of Asbury and Christie Churches, Cincinnati, be made the Visiting and Examining Committee for the ensuing year.

Xenia College.

This institution also affords whatever advantages may appertain to the coeducation of the sexes. Its Catalogue for the past year shows a total attendance of two hundred and sixteen, gathered from forty-two different towns and villages in this State. Its management is wise and efficient. Parents can be assured that their children will be under a wholesome influence with President Smith and his excellent wife.

The Summer Normal is deserving of especial mention and commendation. It is a power among teachers, and is deserving of their patronage. We recommend the appointment of the presiding elders of the East Cincinnati and Springfield Districts, and the pastors of Methodist Churches

of Xenia and Dayton, as the Visiting and Examining Committee for the ensuing year.

Hillsboro Female College.

This institution has had new hopes awakened for its future by a bequest of some ten thousand dollars, which has been left it the past year. The trustees hope to realize on this soon, and use it in meeting the expenses of the College. The venerable and time-honored President, Dr. Mathews, by reason of age and infirmity, is compelled to retire from educational work; and to the position, which his retirement renders vacant, we recommend the appointment of the Rev. J. F. Loyd, of this Conference.

Your Committee also recommend the following for trustees: Asa Haynes, John L. West, Joseph M. Heistand, Hardin Rhodes, Thos. H. Pearne, D. D., Rev. J. T. Bail, Rev. M. Dustin, D. D., and A. Meharry, D. D.

We also recommend that Rev. Wm. I. Fee and Rev. J. P. Porter be appointed as Visiting and Examining Committee for the ensuing year.

Springfield College and High-School.

Resolved, 1. That W. C. Fry, J. W. Cole, H. S. Showers, Wm. Herr, W. H. Sutherland, Jas. T. Pugsley, Henry E. Parrott, J. K. Mower, J. M. Deardorff, E. Van Norman, Chas. Maguire, Wm. R. Warnock, W. N. Williams, Wm. Young, and J. W. White be appointed trustees of the Springfield College and High-school.

2. That we recommend the relinquishing of all claim of the Cincinnati Conference to the grounds and buildings of the Springfield Female College and High-school to the trustees of the Springfield Seminary, with the following conditions: (1.) That the M'Fadden bequest, with the accumulated interest, or its value in money or securities, be transferred to the trustees of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and that the trustees of the Springfield Seminary relinquish all legal claim forever to the said M'Fadden bequest. (2.) That the trustees of the Springfield Seminary shall forever maintain, or cause to be maintained, a school of high order, and the majority of the board of trustees shall be members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. (3.) In the event such a school shall not be maintained, or the board of trustees shall be dissolved, then the entire property shall revert to the Cincinnati Annual Conference.

W. A. ROBINSON, *Secretary.*

M. DUSTIN, *Chairman.*

COLLECTIONS

To Endow the Cincinnati Conference Professorship in the Ohio Wesleyan University.

THE following subscriptions were taken at the session of the Conference in Oxford, September 1, 1876, and were made payable in five annual installments, without interest, if subscribers desire it, for any sums not less than \$25 per annum.

NAME.	Subsc'n.	Am't Paid.	NAME.	Subsc'n.	Am't Paid.
Davis W. Clark.....	\$250 00	.....	Lucien Clark.....	\$100 00	\$100 00
J. M. Walden.....	250 00	.....	J. G. M'Colm.....	125 00	25 00
David H. Moore.....	250 00	\$50 00	D. Whitmer.....	125 00	25 00
Charles H. Payne.....	250 00	50 00	James Murray.....	125 00	.....
M. M. Kugler.....	250 00	.....	W. W. Case.....	125 00	25 00
J. N. Irvin.....	250 00	.....	S. B. Smith.....	125 00	25 00
T. H. Pearne.....	200 00	150 00	J. P. Porter.....	125 00	110 00
D. C. Vance.....	150 00	30 00	E. S. Burdsall.....	125 00	25 00
L. F. Van Cleve.....	150 00	150 00	W. A. Robinson.....	100 00	.....
C. W. Ketcham.....	150 00	.....	A. B. Leonard.....	100 00	100 00
S. D. Clayton.....	125 00	50 00	E. Cranston.....	100 00	100 00
F. G. Mitchell.....	125 00	25 00	W. H. Black.....	125 00	.....
W. L. Hypes.....	125 00	25 00			

Subscriptions and Collections taken by the Rev. L. F. Van Cleve, Agent, during the year.

NAME.	Subsc'n.	Am't Paid.	NAME.	Subsc'n.	Am't Paid.
J. H. Grove.....	\$100 00	\$100 00	Adam Flenner	\$25 00	.....
Mrs. E. B. Ransom ..	100 00	100 00	Isaac Porter.....	20 00	\$20 00
Mrs. Bishop Clark...	100 00	100 00	J. H. De Bruin.....	20 00	10 00
Wm. B. Davis....	100 00	.....	Sinking Springs Coll.	9 50	
Charles Van Pelt....	80 00	80 00	A. Meharry.....	1,000 00	100 00
S. Q. Fulton.....	30 00	10 00	Alfred Pittenger.....	100 00	.....
Decatur Pub. Coll....	.....	11 25	Camp Dennison Coll.	10 50	
Allen Pittenger.....	50 00	50 00	Greenfield Collection	8 74	
Wilmington Collect'n	13 74	13 74	Monroe Collection.....	.....	4 50
Jas. Porter, Sr.....	100 00	20 00	Daniel Griffis.....	50 00	10 00
John T. Wilson.....	100 00	100 00	Ayres M'Crary.....	50 00	50 00
Midd'etown Collect'n. ....	.....	16 55	Franklin Collection.....	.....	6 65
Hamilton Collection. ....	.....	6 36	L. Guard.....	5 00	5 00
Seven-mile Collect'n. ....	.....	1 53	Madisonville.....	6 04	6 04
Eaton Collection.....	.....	10 05	Mrs. E. Stearnes.....	5 00	5 00
O. Hidden.....	10 00	10 00	S. Bennett.....	10 00	10 00
W. W. Peabody and wife.....	150 00	150 00	J. H. Long.....	15 00	.....
E. Emerson and wife	175 00	175 00	P. W. Hill.....	5 00	5 00
A. S. Butterfield and wife.....	150 00	150 00	J. D. Aikins.....	5 00	5 00
Miss M. E. White....	100 00	100 00	Chas Langdon.....	5 00	5 00
Batavia Collection....	.....	10 00	G. M. Bacon.....	15 00	.....
Williamsburg Coll'n. ....	.....	3 00	Goshen Collection.....	.....	3 65
E. M. Bell.....	5 00	5 00	Raper Coll., Dayton.....	.....	1 68
Abner Harris.....	10 00	10 00	Bethany Collection.....	.....	5 00
R. S. Rust.....	1,000 00	.....	Joseph Reynolds.....	5 00	5 00
Isaac Miranda.....	25 00	.....	Urbana: First Church	1 00	1 00
Joseph Cochran.....	100 00	.....	South Charleston Col. ....	.....	6 00
Wm. H. Rogers.....	25 00	.....	Georgetown Collect'n .....	.....	2 75
Rudolph Flenner....	25 00	.....	Mrs. Stephenson.....	50	50

Samuel D. Sheley.... 25 00

Report of Committee to Settle with L. F. Van Cleve.

We, the undersigned, appointed to audit the accounts and settle with L. F. Van Cleve, for his services as agent of the Ohio Wesleyan University, report as follows:

Allowed L. F. Van Cleve, for salary and house-rent.....	\$1,300 00
For moving and traveling expenses.....	134 67
Total.....	\$1,434 67

We have carefully examined the accounts of the agent in detail, and find them to be correct.

F. G. MITCHELL,
J. T. BAIL,
E. T. WELLS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.**EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.**

Wesley Chapel, by S. Weeks....	\$19 00
Asbury, A. Bowers.....	1 00
Grace Church, W. N. Brodbeck.	6 00
First Church, Xenia, M. A. Richards.....	5 00
Miami, A. M. Griffith.....	1 00
New Burlington, W. B. Jackson.....	*4 50
Centenary, W. T. M'Mullen....	*1 00
Trinity, E. Cranston.....	*30 00
Mt. Auburn, W. W. Case.....	*3 10
Total.....	\$70 60

WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

St. Paul, H. B. Ridgaway	\$15 97
St. John, H. Tuckley.....	1 35
York Street, D. C. Vance.....	3 00
Harrison, S. B. Smith.....	5 00
Winton Place, J. F. Conrey.....	50
Port Union, J. S. Whitney.....	3 75
Oxford, J. Murray.....	4 00
Lockland, D. J. Starr.....	64 00
Seven-mile, E. Burdsall.....	*50
Total.....	\$98 07

DAYTON DISTRICT.

Red Lion and Springboro, W. Q. Shannon	\$4 90
Tippecanoe, J. J. Hill.....	4 15
New Carlisle, J. G. Black.....	1 00
Monroe, A. U. Beall.....	*4 64
Total.....	\$14 69

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

High Street, Springfield, F. G. Mitchell.....	\$10 00
Centerville, J. M. Shultz.....	2 00
Jamestown, J. W. Mason.....	6 00
North Lewisburg, J. F. Loyd...	9 00
Moorefield, M. G. Baker.....	*3 15
Urbana, Second Church, A. N. Spahr	*10 00
Union, C. H. Lawton.....	*2 67
Cedarville, John L. Gregg.....	*4 00
South Charleston, W. H. Black.*19 00	
Total.....	\$43 82

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Clarksville, J. I. Taggart	\$2 00
Greenfield, W. I. Fee.....	8 74
Winchester, E. M. Cole.....	*2 25
Rainsboro, D. L. Hayward.....	*5 00
Total	\$17 99

RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Manchester, S. N. Marsh.....	\$5 00
Amelia, L. M. Davis.....	1 00
Bethel, A. D. Maddox	3 65
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	5 00
Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	2 00
Feesburg, W. M. Boyer.....	4 00
Williamsburg, N. W. Darling-ton.....	3 00
Aberdeen, W. P. Jackson.....	*4 00
Decatur, A. E. Higgins.....	*2 00
West Union, T. D. W. Peak....	*1 00
Total	\$30 65

Grand total in receipts and cash.....\$281 82

Treasurer's Accounts.

In hand from previous collections.....	\$253 60
Cash received this year.....	101 00
 Total.....	\$354 60
Paid on order, as per vouchers	38 40
 Subject to order	\$316 20

NOTE.—Collections marked * were received at Conference from the various charges, for the Endowment Fund of the Ohio Wesleyan University, and were paid into the treasury through L. F. Van Cleve. Undesignated funds go into the treasury of the Ohio Wesleyan University, to assist needy students preparing for the ministry from within the bounds of the Cincinnati Conference.

W. I. FEE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

FORASMUCH as the last General Conference adopted and published a general plan of Sunday-school organization and control, we deem it of importance that these regulations should be adopted in all our schools, where practicable. (See Discipline, Section 248-9.)

In addition to these disciplinary provisions, we do not hesitate to express the opinion that the time has now come when the pastor who willfully neglects the Sunday-school loses his Samson lock of power, and his services will not be sought for by the people.

We believe the difficulty of keeping our young people in the Sunday-school, as they approach manhood and womanhood, will be fully obviated by the faithful attendance of the parents and older members of the Church; and we would suggest the formation of a class in every school for those in advanced life.

We would commend to all our schools the immediate adoption of the Constitution prescribed by our late General Conference. We would recommend the adoption of the "Berean Series," on sale by Hitchcock & Walden, Cincinnati, to all our Sunday-schools, and we would urge the continuance of those schools during the entire year.

We would also encourage and assist our people to make such contributions to the support of our Sunday-schools as will enable them to provide suitable libraries and an ample supply of our periodical literature.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.		WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.
Waynesville, M. Dustin.....	\$4 50	Mainville, H. Witham..... \$0 75
Wesley, Cincinnati. S. Weeks...	12 10	Trinity, Cincinnati, E. Cranston 15 00
Miami, A. M. Griffith.....	1 00	Walnut Hills, A. B. Leonard... 13 33
Mt. Washington, R. E. Smith...	3 81	
Mt. Auburn, W. W. Case.....	6 10	\$65 34
Madisonville, S. Bennett.....	6 00	
Avondale, W. N. Brodbeck.....	2 50	North Bend, G. T. Weaver..... \$2 00
Asbury, A. Bowers.....	1 00	Eaton, T. Collett..... 80

Hamilton, G. H. Dart.....	\$1 00	High St., Springfield, F. G.	
St. John, Cin., H. Tuckley.....	4 10	Mitchell.....	\$6 00
York St., Cin., D. C. Vance.....	3 00		
Winton Place, J. F. Conrey.....	50		
Harrison, S. B. Smith.....	2 50		
Seven-mile, E. Burdsall.....	2 00		
Oxford, J. Murray.....	3 50		
St. Paul, Cin., H. B. Ridgaway..	35 00		
Lockland, D. J. Starr.....	12 00		
Port Union, J. S. Whitney.....	3 75		
			\$28 20
		HILLSBORO DISTRICT.	
		Leesburg, D. Whitmer.....	\$1 26
		Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh.....	1 00
		Rainsboro, D. L. Hayward.....	2 50
		Hillsboro, L. Clark.....	5 00
		Clarksville, J. I. Taggart.....	1 00
	\$70 15		
			\$10 76
		DAYTON DISTRICT.	
Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	\$3 00		
Red Lion & Springboro, W. Q.			
Shannon	1 00	Aberdeen, W. P. Jackson.....	\$2 00
New Carlisle, J. G. Black.....	2 00	Williamsburg, N.W. Darlington.	5 00
Troy, S. A. Brewster.....	4 00	Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	4 00
Lewisburg, M. P. Zink.....	5 60	Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	2 25
Grace, Dayton, T. H. Pearne....	3 00	West Union, T. De Witt Peak..	75
Raper, Dayton, W. A. Robin-		Amelia, L. M. Davis.....	1 30
son	2 50	Manchester, S. N. Marsh.....	5 00
		Decatur, A. E. Higgins.....	3 00
	\$21 85	Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	5 00
		Feesburg, W. M. Boyer.....	2 00
		SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.	
Mingo & Tabor, A. W. Tibbits...	\$0 90		\$30 30
Central, Springfield, E.T. Wells.	2 50		
Second Church, Urbana, A. N.			
Spahr	5 00	RECAPITULATION.	
East Liberty, W. H. Smith.....	1 00	West Cincinnati District.....	\$70 15
Jamestown, J. W. Mason.....	4 00	East Cincinnati District.....	65 34
Mechanicsburg, M. Kauffman...	3 00	Dayton District...	21 85
Moorefield, M. G. Baker.....	2 80	Springfield District.....	28 20
South Charleston, W. H. Black..	3 00	Hillsboro District.....	10 76
		Ripley District.....	30 30
		Total.....	\$226 60

THOMAS COLLETT, *Treasurer.*

CHURCH EXTENSION.

RESOLVED, 1. That this Conference should pay the full assessment made to it for this worthy cause.

Resolved, 2. That we will strive to secure a collection from each charge furnishing a report, *without blanks*.

Resolved, 3. That the form of report next year shall be: name of charge, name of pastor, amount assessed, and the amount collected.

Resolved, 4. That we rejoice in the growing interest in this great connectional enterprise as evidenced in the increase of the collections for several years past, the collection of last year being more than double the amount for any previous year.

Resolved, 5. That as a means of information we regard the Annual Report of the Church Extension Society as an admirable presentation of the work and wants of the Society, and we commend it to the careful study of our preachers, that they may be prepared to give the requisite information to their congregations. *S. B. SMITH, Chairman.*

A. U. BEALL, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT, CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.		
Trinity, Earl Cranston.....	\$65 75	Miamisburg, F. S. Davis..... \$5 00
Walnut Hills, A. B. Leonard...	235 85	Lewisburg, M. P. Zink 10 00
Wesley Chapel.....	.....	Red Lion and Springboro, W. Q. Shannon 3 00
Mt. Auburn, W. W. Case	62 60	Fairfield, S. W. Carey..... 2 00
Avondale, W. N. Brodbeck....	19 00	New Carlisle, J. G. Black..... 1 25
Mt. Washington, R. E. Smith..	5 58	Monroe, A. U. Beall..... 5 00
Asbury, A. Bowers.....	5 00	Fletcher, D. D. Cheney..... 3 00
Trinity, Xenia, Geo. C. Crum..	15 00	Lockington, J. C. Boltin..... 5 00
Camp Dennison, E. C. Smith...	8 80	Concord, G. L. Travis..... 3 00
Mainville, Henry Witham.....	1 00	Tippecanoe, J. J. Hills..... 7 02
Centenary, W. T. M' Mullen...	1 00	
Columbia, J. W. Gaddis.....	5 00	
Miami, A. M. Griffith.....	5 00	
Waynesville, M. Dustin.....	7 10	
Lebanon, J. N. Irvin.....	15 00	
Port Union, J. S. Whitney.....	4 75	
First Church, Xenia, M. A. Richards	13 00	
Madisonville, S. Bennett.....	237 00	
Total.....	\$706 43	
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.		
St. Paul, Dr. Ridgaway.....	\$150 17	
Lockland, D. J. Starr.....	40 00	
Hamilton, Geo. H. Dart	15 00	
York Street, D. C. Vance.....	8 00	
St. John, Henry Tuckley.....	1 50	
St. Paul, Eaton, Thos. Collett..	26 00	
Oxford, James Murray.....	20 00	
Harrison, S. B. Smith.	4 08	
North Bend, Geo. T. Weaver...	4 00	
Seven-mile, E. Burdsall.....	20 00	
Groesbeck & Asbury, D. R. Ba- ker.....	11 25	
Winton Place, J. F. Conrey...	50	
Walker & Union, G. W. Du- bois	5 00	
Camden, J. S. Pumphrey.....	10 00	
Fair Haven & Sugar Valley, J. F. Hull..	3 10	
Hartwell and Carthage, Davis W. Clark.....	5 00	
Cheviot, M. M. Kugler.....	15 00	
Total.....	\$328 60	
DAYTON DISTRICT.		
Grace Church, Thos. H. Pearne..	\$40 30	
Mulberry Street, Troy, S. A. Brewster.....	17 00	
St. Paris and Lena, J. Pearson.	14 60	
Total.....	\$120 20	
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.		
Central, Springfield, E. T. Wells.	\$65 00	
Mechanicsburg, M. Kauffman...	35 00	
North Lewisburg, John F. Loyd.	19 65	
New Jasper, C. T. Crum.....	12 00	
Tremont, T. E. Fidler,.....	3 00	
Old Town, C. H. Kalbfus.....	6 25	
East Liberty, W. H. Smith.....	5 00	
Centerville, J. M' K. Shultz.....	3 00	
Jamestown, J. W. Mason.....	25 00	
Urbana, Second Church, A. N. Spahr	22 00	
Mingo and Mt. Tabor, A. W. Tibbits.....	2 50	
Moorefield, M. G. Baker.....	2 76	
Springfield, High Street, F. G. Mitchell.....	25 00	
South Charleston, W. H. Black.	19 00	
Urbana, First Church, S. Clay- ton	5 00	
Yellow Springs, H. M. Keck....	3 00	
Union Circuit, C. H. Lawton....	13 50	
Total.....	\$266 66	
HILLSBORO DISTRICT.		
Hillsboro, Lucien Clark.....	\$28 00	
Wilmington, James P. Porter...	12 00	
Leesburg, D. Whitmer.....	9 10	
Winchester, E. M. Cole... ..	8 00	
Bowersville, D. Lee Aultman..	10 00	
Marshall, J. C. Ambrose.....	2 00	
Rainsboro, D. L. Hayward.....	7 00	
Clarksville, Joseph Taggart.....	5 10	
Butlerville, W. Mahon.....	13 00	
Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh.....	10 00	
Greenfield, Wm. I. Fee.....	6 00	
Sardinia, S. W. Edmiston.....	14 00	

RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Manchester, N. Marsh.....	\$ 5 00
Aberdeen, W. P. Jackson.....	6 00
West Union, T. DeWitt Peak...	6 25
Williamsburg, N. W. Darling-	
ton.....	5 00
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	5 00
Decatur, A. E. Higgins.....	5 50
Olive Branch, John Vance.....	6 00
Amelia, L. M. Davis.....	10 00
Feesburg, W. M. Boyer.....	15 00
Laurel, E. P. James.....	1 00

Bethel, A. D. Maddox..... \$ 5 85

Total..... \$70 60

RECAPITULATION.

East Cincinnati District.....	\$706 43
West Cincinnati District.....	328 60
Dayton District.....	116 17
Springfield District.....	266 66
Ripley District.....	70 60
Hillsboro District.....	120 20

Total..... \$1,608 66

E. P. JAMES, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRACTS.

YOUR Committee, being of the opinion that in a large number of our charges the distribution of our excellent tracts is entirely neglected, and that thereby we fail to utilize what might be a potent agency for good, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, 1. That we advise the taking of the tract collection early in the year, and the faithful observance of the disciplinary plan of tract distribution.

Resolved, 2. That we request our presiding elders, at the second quarterly conference of each charge, to inquire as to the observance of the foregoing, and to urge it upon pastor and people.

R. K. DEEM, *Secretary.*W. H. BLACK, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRACT SOCIETY.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, S.	
Weeks.....	\$12 10
Trinity, Earl Cranston.....	15 00
Asbury, A. Bowers.....	1 00
Pearl Street, W. B. Moler....	1 50
Mt. Auburn, W. W. Case.....	2 10
Walnut Hills, A. B. Leonard.	13 33
Grace Church, W. N. Brod-	
beck.....	2 50
Madisonville, S. Bennett.....	11 00
Mt. Washington, R. E. Smith...	3 00
Waynesville, M. Dustin.....	4 50
Miami, A. M. Griffith.....	1 00

St. John's, H. Tuckley.....	\$1 40
York Street, D. C. Vance.....	5 00
Winton Place, J. F. Conrey....	50
Lockland, D. J. Starr.....	11 00
Port Union, J. S. Whitney.....	3 75
Hamilton, Geo. H. Dart.....	1 00
Oxford, J. Murray.....	3 50
Harrison, S. B. Smith.....	2 50
Seven-mile, E. Burdsall.....	2 00
North Bend, Geo. T. Weaver...	2 00

Total \$67 65

DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton: Grace Church, T. H.	
Pearne.....	\$2 00
Raper, W. A. Robinson.....	2 50
Troy: Mulberry Street, S. A.	
Brewster.....	4 00
Lewisburg, M. P. Zink	3 00

WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: St. Paul, H. B.	
Ridgaway	\$35 00

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Lockington, J. C. Boltin	\$2 00
Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	2 00

Total.....	\$15 50
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SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central Church, E.	
T. Wells.....	\$2 50
High Street, F. G. Mitchell...	6 00
Urbana: Second Church, A. N.	
Spahr	5 00
Union, C. H. Lawton.....	1 40
Mechanicsburg, M. Kauffman...	3 00
Moorefield, M. G. Baker.....	2 67
Jamestown, J. W. Mason.....	4 00
South Charleston, W. H. Black.	3 00
East Liberty, W. H. Smith.....	1 00

Total	\$28 57
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HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, Lucien Clark.....	\$5 00
Leesburg, D. Whitmer.....	50
Rainsboro, D. L. Hayward.....	2 50
Bowersville, D. Lee Aultman...	1 40
Clarksville, J. I. Taggart.....	1 00
Butlerville, W. Mahon.....	1 75

Marshall, J. C. Ambrose.....	\$1 50
Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh.....	1 00

Total.....	\$14 65
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RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Ripley, Thos. J. Harris.....	\$5 00
Decatur, A. E. Higgins.....	3 00
Manchester, S. N. Marsh.....	5 00
Amelia, L. M. Davis	1 30
Williamsburg, N. W. Darling-ton.....	5 00
Aberdeen, W. P. Jackson.....	2 00
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	4 00
Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	1 10
Feesburg, W. M. Boyer	1 00

Total.....	\$27 40
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RECAPITULATION.

East Cincinnati District.....	\$67 03
West Cincinnati District.....	67 65
Dayton District.....	15 50
Springfield District.....	28 57
Hillsboro District.....	14 65
Ripley District.....	27 40

\$220 80

D. LEE AULTMAN, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

THE Freedmen's Aid Society is one of the most useful and efficient institutions in the Church. Though but recently organized, it has, within the eleven years, made a history of singular interest and excellence. It has been most happy in its management, and, from the first, has been attended with an unparalleled degree of success. This Society appeals with power to the patriotism of all lovers of our country, and to the Christian sympathy of all those who truly love our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are fully satisfied that the work of this Society is carried on with the utmost economy, and that the time has not yet come for retrenchment of expenditures in this direction. The agencies for the education of the freedmen must be kept before the Church for many years to come.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, 1. That during the next year we will devote at least one entire public service on the Sabbath to the consideration of the interests of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and that we will put forth our best endeavors to raise liberal collections for this cause.

Resolved, 2. That we are opposed to the practice, too often adopted, of omnibusing the benevolent collections of the Church, and that we will use our influence to discourage such a practice among our people.

Resolved, 3. That so far as practicable, we will disseminate informa-

tion among the people concerning the necessities and operations of this Society, in order to create a deeper interest in its work and mission.

Resolved, 4. That we recommend that December be designated as the month for taking the Conference collection for the freedmen, wherever practicable.

W^m. YOUNG, President.

W. W. CASE, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Wesley Chapel, S. Weeks.....	\$25 53	Lockland, D. J. Starr.....	\$42 00
Trinity, Earl Cranston.....	115 00	Port Union, J. S. Whitney.....	8 00
Asbury, Adam Bowers.....	5 00	Cheviot, M. M. Kugler.....	15 00
Pendleton, W. J. Baker.....	5 00	Hamilton, G. H. Dart.....	15 00
Pearl Street, W. B. Moler.....	1 25	Oxford, J. Murray.....	30 00
Mt. Auburn, W. W. Case.....	28 10	Harrison, S. B. Smith.....	3 03
Walnut Hills, A. B. Leonard..	134 44	Eaton, Thomas Collett.....	.....
Grace Church, W. N. Brodbeck.	12 00	Camden, J. S. Pumphrey.....	10 00
M'Kendree, Edward M'Hugh..	141 00	Seven-mile, E. Burdsall.....	30 00
Columbia, J. W. Gaddis.....	5 75	New Paris, John Wilson.....	5 00
Madisonville, Silas Bennett....	62 25	Fair Haven and Sugar Valley,	
Mt. Washington, R. E. Smith..	4 35	J. F. Hull.....	8 60
Camp Dennison, E. C. Smith..	11 25	Walker and Union, G. W. Du-	
Milford, J. P. Shultz.....	.....	bois.....	0 00
Centenary, W. T. M'Mullen....	1 50	North Bend, Geo. T. Weaver..	4 00
Loveland, W. H. Miesse.....	.....	
Maineville, Henry Witham....	50	Total	\$1,043 82
Lebanon, J. N. Irvin	15 00	Last year.....	540 60
Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	.....	
Morrow, B. F. Dimmick.....	40 00	Increase.....	\$503 22
Waynesville, M. Dustin.....	10 00		
New Burlington, W. B. Jack- son .....	.....	
Xenia: First Church, M. A. Richards.....	51 00		
Trinity, G. C. Crum.....	15 00		
Miami Circuit, A. M. Griffith,	6 00		
Total	\$689 91		
Last year.....	909 57		
Decrease.....	\$219 66		

WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

St. Paul, H. B. Ridgaway.....	\$748 94	Troy: Mulberry Street, S. A.	
St. John's, H. Tuckley.....	3 00	Brewster	17 00
Christie, Wm. Runyan.....	10 00	Second Church.....	.....
Finley, C. W. Rishell.....	.....	Tippecanoe, J. J. Hill.....	.....
York Street, D. C. Vance	7 00	Addison, Nathan Prince.....	.....
M'Lean, Wm. Young.....	.....	Concord, G. L. Travis.....	.....
Fairmount, G. W. Kelley.....	10 00	Lewisburg, M. P. Zink.....	5 00
Groesbeck, D. R. Baker.....	74 25	Germantown and Winchester.	.....
Winton Place, J. F. Conrey..	10 00	Piqua: Green Street, J. F.	
Hartwell and Carthage, D. W.	.....	Marlay.....	16 20
Clark.....	5 50	Grace Church, G. H. Ken- nedy.....	.....
		Lockington, J. C. Boltin.....	10 00
		Fletcher, D. D. Cheney.....	4 00
		St. Paris and Lena, John Pear- son	22 00
		Brant, C. F. Gowdy.....	1 25
		Miamisburg, F. S. Davis.....	5 00

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Franklin, C. Ferguson.....	\$11 25	Rainsboro, D. L. Hayward....	\$5 00		
Red Lion and Springboro, W. Q. Shannon.....	2 00	Sinking Springs, J. R. Hunter.....		
Fairfield, S. W. Carey.....	2 50	Wilmington, J. P. Porter.....	12 00		
New Carlisle, J. G. Black.....	3 25	Bowersville, D. L. Aultman...	10 00		
Middletown, W. H. Sutherland .....	.....	Clarksville, J. I. Taggart.....	5 00	
Monroe, A. U. Beall.....	10 00	Lynchburg, J. H. Middleton...	.....	
Total	\$185 42	Sardinia, S. W. Edmiston.....	14 00		
Last year.....	323 35	Butterville, Wm. Mahon.....	13 00		
Decrease	\$137 93	Marshall, J. C. Ambrose.....	2 25		
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.					
Springfield: Central Church, E. T. Wells.....	\$59 00	Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh...	22 05		
High Street, F. G. Mitchell,	40 00	Winchester, E. M. Cole.....	10 00		
Urbana: First Church, S. D. Clayton	5 00	Total	\$137 15		
Second Church, A. N. Spahr.	30 00	Last year.....	76 00		
King's Creek, F. M. Clemans..	.....	Increase.....	\$61 15	
Mingo and Tabor, A. W. Tib- bits.....	15 00	RIPLEY DISTRICT.			
North Lewisburg, J. F. Loyd..	21 00	Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	\$10 00		
East Liberty, W. H. Smith....	10 00	Felicity, W. J. Quarry.....	3 00		
Tremont, T. E. Fidler.....	3 00	Georgetown, H. Miller.....	.....	
Union, C. H. Lawton.....	12 00	Bethel, A. Maddox.....	5 85		
Centerville, J. M. Shultz.....	3 00	New Richmond,— M'Laughlin.	.....	
New Jasper, C. T. Crum.....	.....	Decatur, A. E. Higgins.....	5 25	
Mechanicsburg, M. Kauffman,	40 00	Manchester, S. N. Marsh.....	5 00		
Moorefield, M. G. Baker.....	7 75	Moscow, H. Stokes.....	75		
Yellow Springs, H. M. Keck..	2 00	Laurel, E. P. James.....	1 00		
Jamestown, J. W. Mason.....	8 00	Amelia, L. M. Davis.....	10 00		
Catawba, B. F. January.....	3 00	Williamsburg, N. W. Darling- ton	10 10		
South Charleston, W. H. Black.	25 00	Batavia, J. H. Lease.....	8 00		
Old Town, C. H. Kalbfus.....	6 25	Aberdeen, W. P. Jackson.....	6 00		
Cedarville, J. L. Gregg.....	.....	Boston, Fletcher Hypes.....	.....	
Total	\$290 00	Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	6 00		
Last year.....	327 31	Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	7 00		
Decrease	\$37 31	Feesburg, W. M. Boyer.....	5 00		

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.		Total	\$83 95
Hillsboro, Lucien Clark.....	\$26 00	Last year.....	69 06
Greenfield, W. I. Fee.....	6 25	Increase.....	\$14 89
New Lexington, G. M. Edgar.	1 00	Grand Total.....	\$2,430 25
Leesburg, D. Whitmer.....	10 60	Last year.....	2,245 89
JOHN H. LEASE, Treasurer.			

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.		Pendleton, W. J. Baker.....	\$2 50
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, S. Weeks	\$37 50	Pearl Street, W. B. Moler.....	1 50
Trinity, Earl Cranston.....	50 00	Mt. Auburn, W. W. Case.....	6 35
Asbury, A. Bowers.....	17 50	Walnut Hills, A. B. Leonard....	62 50
		Grace Church, W. N. Brod- beck.....	18 75

M'Kendree, E. M'Hugh.....	\$20 00
Columbia, J. W. Gaddis.....	5 28
Madisonville, S. Bennett.....	20 00
Mt. Washington, R. E. Smith...	15 00
Camp Dennison, E. C. Smith...	15 05
Milford, J. P. Shultz.....	15 00
Centenary, W. T. M'Mullen....	4 00
Loveland.....	5 00
Mainville, Henry Witham.....	1 50
Lebanon, J. N. Irvin.....	25 00
Goshen, H. C. Middleton.....	15 00
Morrow, B. F. Dimmick.....	4 00
Waynesville, M. Dustin	12 35
New Burlington, W. B. Jackson.	4 08
Xenia: First Church, M. A. Richards.....	30 00
Trinity, G. C. Crum	30 00
Miami Circuit, A. M. Griffith...	2 50

WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

Cincinnati: St. Paul, H. B. Ridgaway.....	\$100 00
St. John's, H. Tuckley.....	20 00
Christie, W. Runyan.....	26 00
Findlay, C. W. Rishell.....	12 00
York Street, D. C. Vance....	20 00
M'Lean, William Young.....	.....
Fairmount, G. W. Kelley.....	.....
Cumminsville.....	.....
Groesbeck, D. R. Baker.....	.....
Winton Place, J. F. Conrey....	3 00
Hartwell and Carthage, D. W. Clark.....	20 00
Lockland, D. J. Starr.....	15 35
Port Union, J. S. Whitney	13 00
Cheviot, M. M. Kugler.....	12 00
Bethany, R. K. Deem.....	.....
Hamilton, G. H. Dart	15 00
Oxford, J. Murray.....	24 00
Venice, C. Kalbfus.....	5 00
Harrison, S. B. Smith.....	10 00
Eaton, T. Collett.....	8 00
Camden, J. S. Pumphrey.....	10 00
Seven-mile, E. Burdsall	6 00
New Paris, J. Wilson.....	2 00
Fair Haven and Sugar Valley, J. F. Hull.....	3 05
Walker and Union, G. W. Du- bois.....	8 00
North Bend, G. T. Weaver.....	10 00

DAYTON DISTRICT.

Dayton: Grace Church, T. H. Pearne.....	\$40 00
Raper, W. A. Robinson.....	30 00
Sears Chapel and Ebenezer, W. N. Williams.....	4 86
Davison Chapel, C. F. Gowdy.	3 65
Troy: Mulberry Street, S. A. Brewster	20 00

Tippecanoe, J. J. Hill.....	.....
Addison, N. Prince	\$19 50
Concord, G. L. Travis.....	10 45
Lewisburg, M. P. Zink.....	14 00
Germantown and Winchester, G. Kennedy.....	4 60
Piqua: Green Street, J. F. Mar- lay	12 00
Grace Church.....	.....
Lockington, J. C. Boltin.....	5 00
Fletcher, D. D. Cheney.....	12 00
St. Paris and Lena, J. Pearson..	18 00
Brant.....	.....
Miamisburg, S. F. Davis.....	16 00
Franklin, C. Ferguson.....	9 00
Red Lion and Springboro, W. Q. Shannon.....	14 00
Fairfield, S. W. Carey.....	4 58
New Carlisle, J. G. Black.....	19 00
Middletown, W. H. Sutherland.	16 05
Monroe, A. U. Beall.....	10 00

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central Church, E. T. Wells	\$22 00
High Street, F. G. Mitchell...	32 00
Urbana: Second Church, A. N. Spahr	20 00
King's Creek, F. M. Clemans...	26 00
Mingo and Tabor, A. W. Tib- bits.....	13 00
North Lewisburg, J. F. Loyd...	23 00
East Liberty, W. H. Smith.....	13 80
Tremont, T. E. Fidler.....	13 00
Union, C. H. Lawton	16 00
Centerville, J. M. Shultz.....	16 00
New Jasper, C. T. Crum.....	5 00
Mechanisburg, M. Kauffman....	6 25
Moorefield, M. G. Baker.....	6 60
Yellow Springs, H. M. Keck....	3 00
Jamestown, J. W. Mason	20 00
Catawba, B. F. January.....	14 00
South Charleston, W. H. Black.	24 00
Old Town, C. H. Kalbfus.....	11 00
Cedarville, J. L. Gregg .....	.....

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, L. Clark.....	\$25 00
Greenfield, W. I. Fee.....	14 40
New Lexington, G. M. Edgar...	5 00
Leesburg, D. Whitmer.....	6 65
Rainsboro, D. L. Hayward.....	10 00
Sinking Springs, J. R. Hunter..	.....
Wilmington, J. P. Porter.....	8 00
Bowersville, D. L. Aultman....	.....
Clarksville, J. I. Taggart.....	10 00
Lynchburg, J. H. Middleton....	.....
Sardinia, S. W. Edmiston	10 45
Butlerville, W. Mahon.....	14 00
Marshall, J. C. Ambrose.....	3 00

Martinsville, A. D. Raleigh.....	\$2 50
Winchester, E. M. Cole.....	14 00

RIPLEY DISTRICT.

Ripley, T. J. Harris.....	\$15 00
Felicity, W. J. Quarry	12 00
Georgetown, H. Miller .....	.....
Bethel, A. D. Maddox	8 00
New Richmond.....	.....
Decatur, A. E. Higgins.....	8 00
Manchester, S. N. Marsh.....	10 00
Moscow, H. Stokes.....	2 00
Laurel, E. P. James.....	5 00
Amelia, L. M. Davis.....	9 50
Williamsburg, N. W. Darling-ton.....	5 75
Batavia, J. H. Lease.....	12 00

Aberdeen, W. P. Jackson.....	\$8 00
Boston, F. Hypes.....	9 50
Bantam, J. F. M'Colm.....	8 00
Olive Branch, J. Vance.....	8 00
Feesburg, W. M. Boyer.....	15 00
Marathon, C. J. Wells.....	3 00
West Union, T. D. W. Peak....	10 75

RECAPITULATION.

East Cincinnati District.....	\$420 36
West Cincinnati District.....	342 40
Dayton District.....	282 69
Springfield District.....	284 65
Hillsboro District.....	118 00
Ripley District.....	149 50

Total.....\$1,597 60

J. S. PUMPHREY, *Treasurer.*

REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

WE recognize in the American Bible Society the most powerful and prominent institution in our land for spreading at home and abroad the Word of God. Its steadfast adherence to its own sole object, to increase the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, continues to challenge our admiration and merit our support.

We learn that the Society has reduced the expense of its district superintendency by greatly enlarging its districts, thus expending less in each locality, and that it seeks to obviate the expense of the paid county agent, by substituting the local volunteer canvass for the solicitation of funds and the distribution of the Scriptures. In this work of economy and improvement by the Society, it seeks to secure a more earnest and faithful co-operation from the pastors of all the Christian Churches, from all of the local auxiliary societies, and all the friends of the Bible.

Correspondence with the District Superintendent, on plans of Bible work, is earnestly solicited.

Being fully in sympathy with the aims and work of the Society, and reaching out to it the right hand of co-operation, thus allying ourselves with its great power in our work of evangelism, we, as ministers of God's Book, resolve:

1. That we accept the responsibility placed upon us, and the trust reposed in us by the *change* in the plans of the Society.
2. That we will give all the aid in our power to render the existing local societies on our charges thoroughly efficient, seeking to secure organization of societies where they are needed and do not exist, and to aid all in order that the voluntary plan of the Society may be fairly tested and worked.
3. That we pledge ourselves we will secure the annual contributions of our people through collections, or by the regular annual collection, and report the same to Conference.

4. That we will seek to have this Cause cherished by the children, and secure contributions for the Bible from our Sunday-schools.

GEO. T. WEAVER, *Secretary.*

W. HERR, *Chairman.*

COLLECTIONS FOR BIBLE CAUSE.

Cash.

Jamestown Charge, by J. W. Mason.....	\$15 00
Clarksville " J. I. Taggart.....	1 25
Rainsboro " D. L. Hayward.....	2 00
Second Church, Urbana, by A. N. Spahr.....	6 00
Lockington Charge, by J. C. Boltin.....	3 00
Port Union " J. S. Whitney.....	3 75
Lockland " D. J. Starr.....	18 50

Total Cash....., \$49 50

Receipts.

St. Paul, Cincinnati Charge, by H. B. Ridgaway.....	\$85 00
New Jasper " C. T. Crum.....	26 35
Eaton " T. Collett.....	52 35
Mechanicsburg " M. Kauffman.....	12 00
Grace Church, Dayton, " T. H. Pearne.....	18 75
Mt. Auburn Charge, " W. W. Case.....	24 50
Tippecanoe " J. J. Hill.....	1 48

Total Receipts.....	\$220 43
Cash.....	49 50

Whole Amount....	\$268 93
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TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

APPOINTMENTS.	SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGATION.	TOTAL.
EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			
Cincinnati: Wesley Chapel, by Rev. S. Weeks..	\$127 04	\$297 15	\$424 19
Trinity, by Rev. Earl Cranston.....	390 00	615 00	1,005 00
Asbury, by Rev. A. Bowers.....	104 75	47 41	152 16
Pendleton, by Rev. W. J. Baker.....			5 00
Pearl Street, by Rev. W. B. Moler.....			121 28
Mt. Auburn, by Rev. W. W. Case.....	150 00	11 50	161 50
Walnut Hills, by Rev. A. B. Leonard.....			1,069 44
Grace Church, by Rev. W. N. Brodbeck.....	50 00	150 00	200 00
M'Kendree, by Rev. E. M'Hugh.....	108 70	153 50	262 20
Columbia, by Rev. J. W. Gaddis.....			50 00
Madisonville, by Rev. S. Bennett.....	158 84	117 16	276 00
Mt. Washington, by Rev. R. E. Smith.....	21 00	100 00	121 00
Camp Dennison, by Rev. J. E. C. Smith.....			88 84
Milford, by Rev. J. P. Shultz.....			74 00
Centenary, by Rev. W. T. M'Mullen.....	17 73	71 70	89 43

APPOINTMENTS.	SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGA-TION.	TOTAL.
Loveland, by Rev. W. H. Miesse.....	.....	.....	\$20 50
Mainville, by Rev. H. Witham.....	.....	.....	40 00
Lebanon, by Rev. J. N. Irvin.....	\$50 00	\$105 78	155 78
Goshen, by Rev. H. C. Middleton.....	.....	.....	42 50
Morrow, by Rev. B. F. Dimmick.....	.....	.....	42 00
Waynesville, by Rev. M. Dustin.....	42 25	89 75	132 00
New Burlington, by Rev. W. B. Jackson.....	3 56	78 75	82 31
Xenia: First Church, by Rev. M. A. Richards..	116 63	119 00	235 63
Trinity, by Rev. G. C. Crum.....	97 48	.....	97 48
Miami Circuit, by Rev. A. M. Griffith.....	3 98	54 62	58 50
Total.....	.....	.....	\$5,006 74
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.			
Cincinnati: St. Paul, by Rev. H. B. Ridgaway..	.....	.....	2,326 65
St. John's, by Rev. H. Tuckley.....	64 00	14 00	78 00
Christie, by Rev. W. Runyan.....	57 11	317 35	374 46
Finley, by Rev. C. W. Rishell.....	.....	.....	40 00
York Street, by Rev. D. C. Vance.....	50 00	158 00	208 00
M'Lean, by Rev. W. Young.....	.....	.....	5 00
Fairmount, by Rev. G. W. Kelley.....	20 00	20 00	40 00
Cumminsville, by Rev. C. W. Ketcham.....	5 00	.....	5 00
Groesbeck, by Rev. D. R. Baker.....	.....	127 25	127 25
Winton Place, by Rev. J. F. Conrey.....	68 06	7 94	76 00
Hartwell & Carthage, by Rev. D. W. Clark.....	.....	124 00	124 00
Lockland, by Rev. D. J. Starr.....	35 00	365 00	400 00
Port Union, by Rev. J. S. Whitney.....	10 00	90 00	100 00
Cheviot, by Rev. M. M. Kugler.....	32 00	43 00	75 00
Bethany, by Rev. R. K. Deem.....	.....	.....	135 00
Hamilton, by Rev. G. H. Dart.....	100 00	190 00	290 00
Oxford, by Rev. J. Murray.....	85 42	181 93	267 35
Venice, by Rev. C. Kalbfus.....	.....	.....	25 50
Harrison, by Rev. S. B. Smith.....	10 64	53 20	63 84
Eaton, by Rev. T. Collett.....	.....	.....	217 22
Seven-mile, by Rev. E. Burdsall.....	15 00	45 00	60 00
New Paris, by Rev. J. Wilson.....	3 25	12 00	15 25
Fair Haven & Sugar Valley, by Rev. J. F. Hull.	.....	.....	40 00
Walker and Union, by Rev. G. W. Dubois.....	.....	55 00	55 00
North Bend, by Rev. G. T. Weaver.....	.....	.....	8 00
Camden, by Rev. J. S. Pumphrey.....	5 65	58 35	64 00
Macedonia, by Rev. H. Johnson.....	.....	.....	9 40
Total.....	.....	.....	\$5,229 92
DAYTON DISTRICT.			
Dayton: Grace Church, by Rev. T. H. Pearne..	404 03	246 00	650 03
Raper, by Rev. W. A. Robinson .....	.....	.....	331 29
Sears Chapel & Ebenezer, by Rev. W. N. Williams.....	.....	.....	2 25
Davisson Chapel, by Rev. C. F. Gowdy.....	.....	.....	11 05
Troy: Mulberry Street, by Rev. S. A. Brewster.	57 00	102 00	159 00
Tippecanoe, by Rev. J. J. Hill.....	.....	.....	10 75
Addison, by Rev. N. Prince.....	.....	.....	63 00
Concord, by Rev. G. L. Travis.....	.....	.....	50 00
Lewisburg, by Rev. M. P. Zink.....	8 75	36 25	40 00
Germantown & Winchester, by Rev. G. H. Kennedy.....	20 00

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APPOINTMENTS.	THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGA-TION.	TOTAL.
Piqua: Green Street, by Rev. J. F. Marlay.....	\$156 45
Lockington, by Rev. J. C. Boltin.....	.....	.....	50 00
Fletcher, by Rev. D. D. Cheney.....	.....	.....	55 00
St. Paris & Lena, by Rev. J. Pearson.....	.....	\$83 00	83 00
Brant, by Rev. L. O. Deputy .....	.....	.....	35 00
Miamisburg, by Rev. F. S. Davis.....	\$30 00	65 00	95 00
Franklin, by Rev. C. Ferguson.....	.....	.....	140 00
Red Lion & Springboro, by Rev. W. Q. Shannon.	9 03	64 55	73 58
Fairfield, by Rev. S. W. Carey.....	.....	.....	43 50
New Carlisle, by Rev. J. G. Black.....	10 61	71 89	82 50
Middletown, by Rev. W. H. Sutherland.....	15 00	55 00	70 00
Monroe, by Rev. A. U. Beall.....	35 00	46 00	81 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$2,302 40

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

Springfield: Central Church, by Rev. E. T. Wells.	107 05	367 95	475 00
High Street, by Rev. F. G. Mitchell.....	.....	.....	269 85
Urbana: First Church, by Rev. S. D. Clayton.....	.....	.....	353 05
Second Church, by Rev. A. N. Spahr.....	35 43	255 57	291 00
King's Creek, by Rev. F. M. Clemans.....	50 00	108 12	158 12
Mingo & Tabor, by Rev. A. W. Tibbits.....	.....	.....	63 00
North Lewisburg, by Rev. J. F. Loyd.....	7 60	93 80	101 40
East Liberty, by Rev. W. H. Smith.....	.....	35 00	35 00
Tremont, by Rev. T. E. Fidler.....	.....	.....	45 00
Union, by Rev. C. H. Lawton.....	.....	.....	151 00
Centerville, by Rev. J. M. Shultz.....	.....	.....	68 60
New Jasper, by Rev. C. T. Crum.....	6 50	100 00	106 50
Mechanicsburg, by Rev. M. Kauffman.....	17 20	135 06	152 26
Moorefield, by Rev. M. G. Baker.....	.....	.....	18 35
Yellow Springs, by Rev. H. M. Keck.....	25 55	44 45	70 00
Jamestown, by Rev. J. W. Mason.....	47 50	79 30	126 80
Catawba, by Rev. B. F. January.....	11 05	38 95	50 00
South Charleston, by Rev. W. H. Black.....	50 00	175 00	225 00
Old Town, by Rev. C. H. Kalbfus.....	.....	.....	38 00
Cedarville, by Rev. J. L. Gregg.....	13 79	61 72	75 51
Total.....	.....	.....	\$2,873 44

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

Hillsboro, by Rev. L. Clark.....	137 00	163 00	300 00
Greenfield, by Rev. W. I. Fee.....	17 85	38 75	56 60
New Lexington, by Rev. G. M. Edgar.....	.....	.....	52 00
Leesburg, by Rev. D. Whitmer.....	.....	.....	91 55
Rainsboro, by Rev. D. L. Hayward.....	.....	100 00	100 00
Sinking Springs, by Rev. J. H. Hunter.....	.....	99 35	99 35
Wilmington, by Rev. J. T. Porter.....	18 25	48 75	67 00
Bowersville, by Rev. D. L. Aultman.....	.....	.....	80 00
Clarksville, by Rev. J. I. Taggart.....	3 80	82 70	86 50
Lynchburg, by Rev. J. H. Middleton.....	.....	.....	70 00
Sardinia, by Rev. S. W. Edmiston.....	.....	.....	41 75
Butlerville, by Rev. W. Mahon.....	5 00	95 00	100 00
Marshal, by Rev. J. C. Ambrose.....	.....	30 25	30 25
Martinsville, by Rev. A. D. Raleigh.....	13 00	63 50	76 50
Winchester, by Rev. E. M. Cole.....	19 75	63 75	83 50
Total.....	.....	.....	\$1,335 00

APPOINTMENTS.	SABBATH-SCHOOL.	CONGREGA-TION.	TOTAL.
RIPLEY DISTRICT.			
Ripley, by Rev. T. J. Harris.....	\$28 00	\$122 00	50 00
Felicity, by Rev. W. J. Quarry.....	6 10	33 90	40 00
Georgetown, by Rev. H. Miller.....	.....	.....	19 00
Bethel, by Rev. A. D. Maddox.....	.....	.....	50 00
New Richmond, by Rev. G. S. M'Laughlin.....	.....	.....	30 00
Decatur, by Rev. A. E. Higgins.....	2 35	63 65	66 00
Manchester, by Rev. S. N. Marsh.....	15 00	50 00	65 00
Moscow, by Rev. H. Stokes.....	.....	.....	36 00
Laurel, by Rev. E. P. James.....	.....	.....	40 00
Amelia, by Rev. L. M. Davis.....	10 00	21 00	31 00
Williamsburg, by Rev. N. W. Darlington.....	4 46	70 54	75 00
Batavia, by Rev. J. H. Lease.....	.....	.....	75 00
Aberdeen, by Rev. W. P. Jackson.....	.....	.....	85 00
Boston, by Rev. F. Hypes.....	.....	.....	56 40
Bantam, by Rev. J. F. M'Colm.....	1 85	56 15	58 00
Olive Branch, by Rev. J. Vance.....	.....	.....	70 00
Feesburg, by Rev. W. M. Boyer.....	6 12	102 55	108 67
Marathon, by Rev. C. J. Wells.....	.....	.....	31 50
West Union, by Rev. T. D. W. Peak.....	.....	52 00	52 00
Total.....	.....	.....	\$1,138 57

BEQUESTS.

Interest on Bequest of Thomas Robertson, deceased, by Rev. J. Vance, of Olive Branch Circuit.....	\$74 00
From Ann Fleming, deceased, by Rev. W. M. Boyer.....	100 00
Total.....	\$174 00

RECAPITULATION.

East Cincinnati District.....	\$5,006 74
West Cincinnati District.....	5,229 92
Dayton District.....	2,302 40
Springfield District.....	2,873 44
Hillsboro District.....	1,335 00
Ripley District.....	1,138 57
Total from Districts.....	\$17,886 07
Bequests.....	174 00
Grand Total.....	\$18,060 07

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Paid for publishing report in Minutes.....	\$25 00
Paid L. Hitchcock, as per receipts.....	5,162 75
Paid L. Hitchcock, cash.....	12,547 32
Paid L. Hitchcock, time check of B. F. Pelham.....	50 00
Paid L. Hitchcock, note of John Pfaff.....	275 00
	\$18,060 07

J. F. CONREY.

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES' REPORT.

Adopted by the Cincinnati Conference held in Xenia, Sept. 11, 1877.

FOURTEEN years ago the Cincinnati Conference inaugurated measures to secure corporate powers, as indicated by the following official document:

"LOCKLAND, O., December 9, 1863.

"At the session of the Cincinnati Conference, held in Xenia, Ohio, September 8, 1863, W. Herr presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

"1. *Resolved*, That in order to secure legacies made to the Church by its deceased members for benevolent purposes, this Conference elect seven persons, to be invested with corporate powers to receive and hold in trust all moneys and property which may come into their hands, in the manner and for the purposes above designated.

"2. *Resolved*, That said trustees proceed without delay to secure corporate powers according to the provisions of the Statutes of the State of Ohio.

"M. Marlay, W. Herr, W. Simmons, W. Nast, W. G. W. Lewis, D. Warnock, and D. Reed were appointed said Board of Trustees."

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy from the Journal of the Twelfth Session of the Cincinnati Annual Conference.

(Signed)

W. H. SUTHERLAND, *Secretary.*

On the 25th of February, 1864, the Trustees met in Wesley Chapel, Dayton, Ohio, and organized, in due form, by the election of M. Marlay President, W. Herr Secretary, and W. G. W. Lewis Treasurer; adopting the corporate name of the body, to wit: "*Trustees of the Cincinnati Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church;*" and said act of incorporation was duly recorded in the recorder's office, Greene County, Ohio, March 1, 1864, and also in the recorder's office, Montgomery County, Ohio, March 3, 1864.

It may be proper to remark, parenthetically, that at the same Conference a resolution was adopted instructing our delegates to the next ensuing General Conference to use their influence to induce the Conference to appoint a Board of Trustees, with corporate powers, to cover the interests of the whole Church in this regard. The action of the General Conference was favorable, and hence the origin of the "*Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church.*"

The Trustees of this Conference have at present safely invested funds to the amount of nearly seven thousand dollars, the interest of which is annually paid to the Conference Stewards, for the benefit of the superannuated preachers, widows, and orphans of the Conference. The details of the fund will fully appear in the following report of the Treasurer:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

STATEMENT OF INVESTED FUNDS.

Mrs. Ledman's note.....	\$562 00
W. J. Van Meter's note.....	300 00
J. V. Cartwell's note.....	300 00
Dr. W. Webster's note.....	600 00
"Kugler Bequest," bond of L. M. R. R.,.....	\$1,500 00
"Kugler Bequest," real estate, not productive this year.....	3,500 00
Total invested funds.....	5,000 00
	\$6,762 00

Receipts, year ending September 6, 1877.

Balance on hand, as per last report, September, 1876.....	\$20 67
Interest on Mrs. Ledman's note.....	45 00
Interest on W. J. Van Meter's note.....	24 00
Interest on J. V. Cartwell's note.....	24 00
Coupons on bond of L. M. R. R., "Kugler Bequest".....	90 00
Dividend from "Mears Bequest".....	33 21

	\$236 88

Disbursements.

Paid Conference Stewards.....	\$100 00
Paid Conference Stewards, "Mears Bequest".....	33 21
Paid E. C. Smith.....	25 00
Paid W. Young—expenses.....	5 50
Paid traveling expenses, postage, etc.....	4 00
Balance in treasury, September 6, 1877.....	69 17

	\$236 88

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. BAIL, *Treasurer of Conference Trustees.*

XENIA, O., Sept. 6, 1877.

The following Trustees were re-elected, and the Board was reorganized and unanimously confirmed by the Conference:

*President, W. YOUNG.**Secretary, W. HERR.**Treasurer, J. T. BAIL.*

Trustees, A. MEHARRY, W. L. HYPES, JNO. W. DALE, S. A. CAIRS.

(Attest) W. HERR, *Sec. Cin. Con. Trustees.*

XENIA, O., Sept. 11, 1877.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE OBSERVANCE
OF THE SABBATH.**

WE, the members of the Cincinnati Annual Conference, ministers of the Church of Christ, hold it to be true that the general and public recognition of the Sabbath as a day of rest from secular pursuits is essential both to the perpetuity of our free government and the prosperity of the Christian Church. We therefore can not allow this, our annual meeting, to pass without directing attention to the increasing desecration of this holy day, and declaring it to be our solemn conviction that this evil, if not speedily checked, must bring certain ruin to our nation.

We would remind our people that our fathers, in the organic law of the American Republic, recognized the Sabbath as a day of rest from secular pursuits (*vide* Constitution of the United States, Article I, Section 7), thereby forever recording their idea of the proper civil observance of this holy day. Those who gave us a government far in advance of the monarchies of the Old World thus gave their highest sanction to a civil Sabbath, based upon the law of God, different from and superior to the Sabbath of Continental Europe. This *American Sabbath* should be perpetuated with that jealous care which is necessary to maintain all other institutions of freedom inherited from these wise and heroic men.

We may not insist on the *religious* observance of the Sabbath by those

not under our pastoral care, but we do hold that the maintenance of the American Sabbath is essential to the cultivation and preservation of that public virtue without which a free government can not long exist. We need not turn to the history of past ages to learn this lesson; nor to Holy Writ, where it is enforced with solemn sanctions; it is taught by the events of the present. As the desecration of the Sabbath has increased in our cities, their governments have decreased in efficiency, their public officials have become corrupt, their masses have been degraded, and the vicious elements augmented. All business in our country has been recently interrupted by the strikes of those who are required to labor on the Sabbath, and the red flag has been raised in the metropolis of our own State, not by those who recognize the American Sabbath, but by those who would hasten its abrogation. Thus, in those localities where the Sabbath is least regarded, vice rapidly augments, and the difficulties and perils of government increase.

The existing laws of Ohio for the protection of the Sabbath, declared constitutional by the Supreme Court, although too indefinite in their provisions, and not sanctioned by adequate penalties, do establish the precedent for efficient legislation. *Inasmuch as the public good requires the enactment of laws which may be promptly enforced to arrest the growing desecration of the civil Sabbath, and to protect religious people in their right of public worship on that day, it behooves all good citizens to use all proper means to prevent the elevation of men to important positions of State who are known to be opposed to the American Sabbath.*

In order to meet and overcome the insidious efforts that are made to obliterate from the minds of our people all respect for the holy Sabbath, it is evidently the duty of all Christians scrupulously to observe this day as it is enjoined in the Scriptures. That the enemies of the Sabbath may not be strengthened in their attacks on this sacred institution, and that our good may not be evil spoken of, we request our people prayerfully to consider any methods of conducting camp-meetings and other religious services that may tend to encourage the running of Sunday trains on railroads, or other forms of Sabbath desecration.

The sin of Sabbath-breaking too often begins in childhood. Religious parents who permit their children to absent themselves from public worship, or to spend portions of the day in recreation and amusement, can hardly expect to inspire them with proper regard for the Lord's-day. We would earnestly entreat the heads of Christian families, by precept, example, and parental authority, to enforce, in their homes, the teachings of the Scriptures upon this subject, and would also urge all Sunday-school teachers to impress upon the minds of their pupils the importance of the Christian Sabbath, and their moral obligations to observe it.

J. M. WALDEN, *Secretary.*

LUCIEN CLARK, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

THE interest recently awakened on the subject of temperance through the efforts of Francis Murphy and others, and the present wide-spread revival of total abstinence principles in our country, makes this an op-

portune time for clear and bold deliverances on the part of Christian Churches. The Church is, and should be, the great temperance society of the world, and it is the firm belief of your Committee, that in her organized capacity she can do more, and is doing more, for the suppression of intemperance, than all other agencies together. We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That as a Church we are unalterably opposed to the manufacture, sale, or use as a beverage, of all kinds of distilled, fermented, and vinous liquors.
2. That the license of the traffic is incompatible with the public welfare and with Christian morals, and we protest against the members of our Church giving countenance to it by vote or otherwise.
3. That it is inconsistent with the vows and obligations of membership in the Church of Christ to rent property to be used for the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors.
4. That we recommend the use of none but pure, unfermented juice of the grape for sacramental purposes.
5. That, in the language of the last General Conference, we are fully convinced of the wisdom and absolute need of total legal prohibition. We believe it is the right of the State, and the duty of the State, to suppress utterly the unholy traffic.
6. That, recognizing the duty and importance of all Christians combining their efforts to secure thorough reformation on this subject, we heartily respond to the action of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, in May last, and referred to us, and recommend the appointment of a committee of three, to meet similar committees of other evangelical Churches in Xenia, on the fourth Tuesday of October next, at 7 o'clock P. M., to agree upon some plan of united effort for the furtherance of the cause of temperance.

J. F. MARLAY, *Secretary.*

THOS. COLLETT, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON PARSONAGES.

YOUR Committee on Parsonages submit the following report:

In view of the difficulties, perplexities, continued financial drain, and sometimes the impossibility of renting suitable parsonages,

Resolved, 1. That every charge within the bounds of our Conference should have a suitable parsonage.

Resolved, 2. That the pastors and official boards of all our charges, without parsonages, should make diligent efforts to provide them.

Resolved, 3. That all of our presiding elders, in their quarterly visitations to such charges, urge upon their pastors and people the importance of this subject.

STEPHEN F. CONREY, *Chairman.*

J. P. SHULTZ, *Secretary.*

REPORT ON BOOK CONCERN AND PERIODICALS.

AN important feature of our Church system is the scattering of a religious and moral literature among our people and the public at large. The Methodist Book Concern has a well-earned business reputation, and is charged by the Church with providing such a literature; therefore we esteem it the duty of every pastor to employ all his influence to promote the general dissemination of our publications.

We can not too earnestly commend our periodicals to the favor of our people.

The *National Repository* richly merits hearty support; and nothing is needed to make it the pride of our Methodism, save the deserved patronage, which will enable the publishers to work up to the plans of its laborious and experienced editor.

The *Western Christian Advocate* has become a household necessity in many of our homes, and is well worthy the confidential relations it has for so many years held with our people. We are satisfied that reasonable energy on the part of pastors would bring its circulation much nearer to its legitimate claims. Every official member of our Church should not only take the paper, but also aid the pastor in the canvass for subscribers. Its circulation is essential to the success of our connectional interests.

The "*Golden Hours*" is working its way more slowly than it should, owing to the active rivalry in juvenile periodical literature, and we hope this child of our publishing interests may receive due mention in the presentation of our periodicals before the Church.

We commend the "*Quarterly*" as worthy a place on every pastor's table, and we are pleased to know that some of our many intelligent laymen are beginning to appreciate its thoughtful pages.

We would respectfully recommend more stringent regulations with reference to the accounts of our preachers; that more frequent settlements be insisted upon, and restraints placed upon the credit of any who may seem to be careless of the requirements of ministerial honor.

Respectfully submitted,
D. J. STARR, *Chairman.*
T. DEWITT PEAK, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE COURT IN W. S. RAE'S CASE.

THE select number, to whom were referred charges and specifications against Rev. W. S. Rae, report that they have carefully examined them, and they find the same *not sustained*; except, as to certain irregularities in business matters; not, however, amounting to dishonesty; to certain incorrect statements, not amounting to falsehood; and, also, to contempt of the authority of the Methodist Episcopal Church; for all which he was subjected, as a penalty, to admonition by the President of the Court. Brother Rae received the admonition in a spirit of humility, promising amendment. Therefore, we recommend that his character do now pass.

W. A. ROBINSON, *Secretary.* THOMAS H. PEARNE, *President.*

ABSTRACT

Of the Preachers' Relief Society of the Cincinnati Conference, for the Year ending September 5, 1877.

ASSETS.

Loan notes, secured by mortgage on real estate and good personal indorsement.....	\$14,895 50
Donation from Dr. A. Lowrey.....	100 00
Annual subscription of members.....	75 00
Donation from Rev. Dr. Ridgaway.....	5 00
A. D. Raleigh, made life-member by Rev. N. McDonald.....	10.00

	\$15,085 50

A part of our assets are yet unproductive. A part bear six per cent and a part eight per cent interest. Interest due up to date, \$850.50. Relief was afforded to twenty-six applicants.

Wm. YOUNG, Treasurer.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

YOUR Committee on Finance submit the following report:

In view of the fact that the financial interests of the Church of God are second only to her spiritual interests, the former always greatly affecting the latter; and in view of the fact that so many of our people are so poorly informed, and, therefore, fail to have a just appreciation of the great importance of this subject, we recommend:

1. That our preachers and intelligent laymen labor to instruct our people, and by all proper means enforce upon them their financial obligations to God and to his cause.
2. That as far as practicable a uniform financial plan be adopted by all our charges and societies.
3. That, to approximate this uniformity of plan, let the steward or stewards, assisted by two or more judicious members of the charge or society, apportion each member his just proportion of the amount to be raised, and then, publicly or privately, as may be deemed best, get each member to accept his apportionment or any other just amount, and also solicit from each attendant on the Church services, who is not a member of the Church, contributions for the support of the Gospel.
4. That the steward or stewards secure as far as possible weekly, monthly, or at farthest quarterly payments of these assessments and subscriptions, or, wherever it is at all practical, adopt the envelope system, and make a quarterly and an annual report to the charge or society of all of the moneys received and expended.
5. That the quarterly conferences elect such men for stewards as will, as far as possible, carry out this plan.
6. That, in view of the comparatively meagre support hitherto received by a large majority of our preachers, notwithstanding the financial stringency of the times, lest the cause of God suffer and God be dishonored, the estimating committees, quarterly conferences, and district stew-

ards make our preachers and presiding elders as liberal allowances as the circumstances will admit of.

7. That all our pastors, as soon as practicable, have this report read and adopted by their various charges, and that the presiding elders present it for adoption to the first quarterly conference in each charge.

J. P. SHULTZ, *Secretary.*

J. W. WEAKLEY, *Chairman.*

MEMOIRS.

REV. WM. H. LAWDER.

REV. WM. H. LAWDER was born in Smithfield, Va., November 17, 1809, and died, in perfect peace, April 20, 1877. He was the oldest son of Frederic and Margarett Lawder, to whom were born ten children, eight of whom lived to mature life and adorned the Church and doctrines of Christ. In 1818 the family emigrated to Ohio and settled near Hillsboro. William received his first religious impressions at the family altar at an age so early that he could not afterward determine. These impressions were encouraged and strengthened by his godly parents, until at the age of twelve he was converted in the class led by his father, and united with the Church in 1821. His convictions of a call to the ministry followed his conversion, and grew steadily upon him, though he hid them in his own heart and strove to free himself from them. But at the age of twenty-one years a number of influential Christian friends, among whom was Rev. Joseph M'D. Mathews, urged the duty upon him with great force, much to his own surprise, as he had never communicated with any one in regard to this subject.

Brother Mathews kindly offered to educate him gratuitously, in the academy which he and Samuel D. Blithe were about establishing at Hillsboro. At length, his own convictions having become too strong for further resistance without imperiling his relations to God, he accepted license to exhort, and the ensuing April 14, 1832, license to preach, from Rev. Augustus Eddy, at the old Bethel Church, Rapid Forge, Ross County, O. Filled with holy zeal, he immediately offered himself to Rev. Russell Bigelow, who had charge of the Wyandot Mission, for service among the Indians. The vacancy which he sought had, however, unknown to him, been filled, so that his offer was not accepted. February 9, 1832, he was married to Miss Catherine M'Dole, of Rapid Forge, with whom he lived for nearly forty-one years, and raised to manhood and womanhood five sons and two daughters, all of whom survive save the youngest daughter, who preceded her father to the better country about eighteen months.

He entered the conference held at Cincinnati, 1833, and was appointed to New Lancaster Circuit, with Rev. S. Hamilton as senior colleague. In 1834 he traveled Marietta Circuit, with Rev. E. D. Roe as senior colleague. In 1835, with Rev. Wm. Simmons as preacher in charge, he traveled Lebanon Circuit, and in 1836 he was appointed alone to Germantown Circuit. He filled in succession the following appointments: Dayton, 1837; Zanesville, 1838-9; Portsmouth, 1840; Asbury, Cincinnati,

1841-2; New Richmond, 1843-4; Augusta, Ky. (after division of the Church), 1845; Franklin, O., 1846; Piqua, 1847-8; Columbus, 1849; Hamilton, 1850-1; and Raper Charge, Dayton, 1852. In 1853, on account of enfeebled health, he was compelled to superannuate. In this relation he continued six years, four of which were spent in teaching in the Piqua High-school, and two as a member of the State Senate from the Twelfth Ohio District. In 1859, having measurably recovered his health, he resumed an effective relation, and was appointed successively to Wayne Street, Piqua, 1859; Hamilton, 1869; presiding elder on Hamilton District, 1861; presiding elder, West Cincinnati District, 1862-66; Oxford, 1867; New Richmond, 1868-70; and Waynesville, 1872. In this last charge, July 17, 1872, his beloved wife, who had shared with him the hardships of an itinerant life for thirty-nine years, quitted his side and entered into rest. At the end of this year, broken in health and shadowed by his great sorrow, he was compelled to seek a superannuated relation again, and settled in Hamilton, where eight years of his ministerial life had been passed as stationed preacher and presiding elder. Here he engaged in business, with the hope of preventing dependence upon the Church in more advanced and feeble years. March 3, 1874, he was married to Miss Lucy M. Williamson, of New Richmond, Ohio.

In September, immediately following the last session of the Cincinnati Conference, his health began to decline. On the first Sabbath in October he attended the house of God for the last time, and closed the services with a prayer of remarkable spiritual power. For nearly seven months he was confined to the house, and mostly to his room. His decline was gradual, but constant, until three weeks before his decease, from which time he sunk rapidly. All that a devoted wife, loving children, and affectionate brothers and sisters, could do to mitigate his afflictions, was done. He was a man of sincere and earnest piety, who sought to fill aright all the relations of life. He was a loving husband and father, a trusty and judicious friend, and a faithful minister of Christ. As a sufferer, he was ever patient. He thought and spoke much and hopefully of the world, the Church, and his family; saw in clearer light many of the problems and events which had perplexed his past; and committed all to the infinite care with the simple trust of a little child. Sabbath afternoon, April 8th, the Lord's-supper was celebrated in his room. An unwonted spiritual influence filled the place, melted all hearts, and elevated the soul of Wm. H. Lawder into heavenly ecstasy. It was a mount of transfiguration. His views of himself and his personal attainments and services in the cause of Christ were humble in the extreme, and, at times, greatly depressed him. Upon one such occasion he was directed to the words of John, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." This verse became the luminous center of all his after-thought; he repeated it over and over, hour after hour, never forgot it, even down where the shadow was darkest; they were the last words that fell from his lips. During the earlier part of his sickness his uniform experience was that of peace—a calm resting in God, but no exuberance of joy. At times this occasioned him anxiety, and led to careful scrutiny of the most secret movements and impulses of his soul. He longed for more of the fullness of joy. It

came. From the hour of his last communion he entered upon an experience of almost uninterrupted and cloudless joy; even extreme weakness and pain did not disturb this exultation. He dwelt much and with great delight upon the thought of heavenly recognition. The heavenward view was near and vivid. He should soon realize it all. He remained conscious to within three hours of his decease, when he sunk into a deep stupor, from which he only awakened amid the splendors of the Father's house. Thus gloriously faded out of this earthly life a good man, leaving behind a record pure and blameless.

His funeral occurred on Sabbath afternoon, April 22d, in the Methodist Church of Hamilton, and was attended by a large concourse of friends, representing all the evangelical Churches of the community, and many citizens who had known and respected him as a man, a citizen, a minister of Christ. The remains were interred in Greenwood Cemetery, Hamilton, beside those of his first wife, which, at his desire, had been brought from Waynesville, Ohio, that they might rest side by side in death.

REV. T. A. G. PHILLIPS.

REV. T. A. G. PHILLIPS was born in Frederick County, Maryland, February 24, 1810, and died in Springboro, Warren County, Ohio, February 28, 1877. He was mostly brought up, however, in Clermont County, Ohio, where his father's family resided for many years. His parents were earnest and devoted Christians. From childhood, therefore, he was surrounded by the influences of a Christian home; but for several years he resisted those influences. His own account of himself is that, in his youth, he was fond of amusements, and found it difficult to conform his conduct to those rules of propriety which were laid down by his parents. His strong impulses tended to lead him astray; but in his early manhood, just at the time when his fiery, impulsive nature was beginning to drive him into sin and folly, he was arrested by the Spirit of God, under the preaching of the Gospel. This important event, which changed the whole course of his life, took place at a camp-meeting near his father's residence. According to his own account, his conviction was very deep and pungent. He used to say, "the very pains of hell got hold upon" him. He "found trouble and sorrow;" but his conversion was also marked and striking. His battle with the powers of darkness was fierce, but his victory was complete. He was fully "transformed" by the power of the Holy Ghost. He now set out in earnest to live a Christian life, consecrating all his powers to the service of his Master. It was then the custom to put young converts under the yoke at once, and train them to be working Christians. In the class and prayer meetings there were favorable opportunities for this training; and in those meetings it was soon discovered that brother Phillips possessed gifts which could profitably be employed in a wider field of labor, and, in fact, that he was called to the work of the ministry. Accordingly, with but little delay, he was licensed to preach, and recommended to the annual conference. In 1833, he was received on trial into the Ohio Conference, and appointed to Granville Circuit; in 1834, to Newark; in 1835, to

Western Charge, Cincinnati; in 1836, to Point Pleasant. The three following years he filled, successively and successfully, Parkersburg, Gallipolis, and Circleville Stations. In 1840, he was appointed to Lithopolis Circuit, where his labors were crowned with remarkable success. During his pastorate in that charge, between two and three hundred souls were converted and added to the Church. In fact, revivals distinctively characterized his ministerial life and labors.

Brother Phillips continued his pastoral work, subject to the changes incident to the itinerancy, until eleven years ago, when he asked for, and received, a change in his Conference relations. The last two years of his regular pastoral work he was in charge of Ciarksville Circuit, with brother A. D. Raleigh as his colleague. Those years were wonderfully successful, more than five hundred persons being added to the Church. His preaching at that time was characterized by great zeal and fervor, and was often overwhelming in its effects. In fact, during his entire ministry, his great power in the pulpit was universally recognized. He had some eccentricities. He was inordinately impulsive. It is believed, by those who knew him best and longest, that his extreme impulsiveness indicated a form of mental aberration, for the effects of which he was not responsible. Many things which he said and did, ought, in justice and Christian charity, to be accounted for in this way. But, with all his eccentricities in other matters, his views of the Gospel and plan of salvation through Jesus Christ were as clear as a sunbeam. On that subject there was no wandering or wavering. In all the storms of life, his heart, true as the needle to the pole, turned to the atoning sacrifice of Christ as his only hope and only plea; and in that hope he lived and labored and died.

In his last sickness he said, "I have been a minister for forty years, and have preached many sermons, and offered many prayers, and taken thousands into the Church; and yet I am not trusting in my sermons or prayers, or any thing I have done, but in the Lord Jesus Christ, and in him alone." When the death chill was upon him, he said, in prayer, "Christ Jesus, *MY all and in all;*" and, then, in a few moments all was over. The spirit had taken its flight.

Brother Phillips was twice married: first, to Miss Dorothy Taylor, September 14, 1836, who died, in great peace, April 15, 1872; second, to Mrs. Elizabeth Cosler, November 25, 1875, who survives him. Only one of his children, his youngest daughter, is still living.

REV. WM. I. ELLSWORTH.

WILLIAM INNIS ELLSWORTH was born in Clinton County, Ohio, August 9, 1807. Up to his eighteenth year he lived outside of the Church. At that age a peculiar incident changed the whole course of his life. While working alone in the forest, he was suddenly impressed with the passage, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." He immediately laid down his ax, and commenced to pray. Conviction was not followed at once by conversion. Eight days later a prayer-meeting was to be held at a private house near South Charleston, and young

Ellsworth determined to attend. It was Christmas-eve. The night was clear and cold, and as he went to the meeting he stopped, and, kneeling in the snow, prayed for pardon. The coveted blessing was still withheld. During the meeting, however, faith prevailed, and light and joy filled the soul of the believing penitent. The Church soon found use for his talents in the office of exhorter. His license was given, August 13, 1832, on Paint Creek Circuit, and bears the name of Aaron Turner as assistant preacher. He was rapidly advanced through the office of local preacher to membership in the Ohio Annual Conference. In Circleville, in 1834, he, with forty-one others, was admitted on trial. Two years after, he was ordained deacon by Bishop Soule. He was ordained elder by Bishop Waugh, in 1838.

His thirty-four years of active service in the Conference were spent in Bellefontaine, Troy, Piqua, Fulton, Madisonville, Westchester, White Oak, Hillsboro, Zanesville, Milford, Maysville, West Cincinnati District, Xenia District; Raper Chapel, Dayton; Columbia Street, Springfield; Eaton, Vienna, Moorefield, New Carlisle, one year President Springfield Female College, and one year South Springfield Mission. During the remaining ten years of his ministerial life he held a supernumerary or superannuated relation to the Conference.

Brother Ellsworth was a *wise* man. Unobtrusive, but positive in his convictions, he proved himself a man and a minister whom others might safely imitate. Whether on the circuit, station, or district, or as the trusted adviser of his family's pastor during his superannuation, he was always esteemed "a safe counselor."

He was a *pure* man. The exceptional purity of his life won to his side many warm friends. Concerning his personal experience, he wrote, in February, 1850: "I have been a firm believer in the doctrine of Christian perfection ever since I had any thing like a distinct knowledge of the Bible and Methodist theology. Soon after my conversion I became deeply impressed with the necessity of being wholly given up to God, and with many an earnest struggle sought the blessing of perfect love. But, not realizing my desires, I would become discouraged, and ceased my efforts. Sometimes I would feel little or no concern on the subject; sometimes I would feel opposition to it, or rather to a profession of the blessing as a distinct state of religious experience. Again I would be impressed with its necessity and importance, and again seek after it. I knew it was by faith, but sought it by works. I struggled and reasoned too much, and believed too little. In this way I passed an experience of twenty-three years. During a love-feast at the second quarterly-meeting of Morris Chapel, in 1850, I was unusually drawn out after the blessing of a clean heart. This struggle continued for three weeks, when I had access to the counsel of some deeply experienced Christians, who instructed me to cease struggling and believe. I asked, What shall I believe? It was answered, 'Having made an unreserved consecration of yourself to God, believe that the offering is accepted; that Christ does *now* receive you.' But my heart was hard, and it seemed little less than presumption to attempt belief with such a heart. We knelt in prayer, and I resolved to venture by naked faith on the promise of God. I did so, and, in the same moment, felt divine power, like an

electric shock, upon soul and body. I immediately thanked God for the victory, and, on rising up from prayer, informed my friends of my triumph." Later tests served only to prove the reality and richness of this long-sought experience.

He was a *successful* man. Though for many years the victim of annoying disease, his labors were abundant, and his pastorate was almost annually attended with a glorious revival of religion. According to his private record, five thousand souls were brought into the Church through his ministry.

The end came to his earthly career at four o'clock, A. M., May 10, 1877. Just as day dawned upon us, he entered the country where "they need no candle, neither light of the sun, for the Lord God giveth them light." Two lovely daughters had preceded him several years. The remaining children, with his faithful companion of thirty-eight years, are given the heartiest sympathy of the entire Church in the community where his last days were spent. After appropriate funeral services, in which a large number of his ministerial brethren participated, his remains were deposited in Fern Cliff Cemetery, there to await the morning of resurrection.

REV. SAMUEL BROWN.

REV. SAMUEL BROWN was born in Monmouth County, New Jersey, May 12, 1806. Of his early life but little is known by the writer except that he was brought up under the influence of the Society of Friends, his parents probably being members of that body. His special aversion to formality and show in religious worship, which was one of his characteristics through life, was probably the result of his religious training.

In his fifteenth year the Methodist itinerants visited his native place, and, by their fiery zeal and earnest appeals to sinners, attracted great attention. Young Brown, prompted by curiosity, went to hear them; and, on the 1st of August, 1820, under the preaching of R. W. Feetherbridge, of the New Jersey Conference, he was awokened and converted, and immediately thereafter united with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In early manhood he was licensed to exhort, and then to preach, and for several years, in the relation of a local preacher, he was an efficient laborer in the Lord's vineyard. In 1841 he was admitted on trial in the Ohio Conference; but, on the division of that Conference, in 1852, his lot fell within the bounds of the Cincinnati Conference, of which body he continued an honored member until his death.

His first field of labor, after his admission into the Conference, was Lewisburg Circuit, James B. Finley, Presiding Elder. He entered upon his work in a resolute and determined spirit, plainly indicating that he had fully made up his mind to spend the balance of his life in calling sinners to repentance. His zeal and energy in his new vocation showed, also, that he did not intend to be an idler in the vineyard, but that, by God's help, he meant to accomplish something in the great work of build-

ing up and extending the kingdom of Christ in the earth. In this same spirit and manner, for twenty-eight years, and mostly on large circuits, he continued his itinerant labors, until sickness and infirmity compelled him to seek for rest. During those twenty-eight years it was brother Brown's privilege to see many precious souls gathered into the fold of Christ under his ministry.

It is said, by those who knew him best, that, in instructing seekers of religion and pointing them to the cross of Jesus, he was unusually successful. He had learned the way to the cross from his own personal experience, and the abiding light of the Spirit in his soul continued to illuminate the way, and hence he could clearly point out the way to others. To the labors of such men as Samuel Brown, in such fields as he usually occupied, the Methodist Episcopal Church is more indebted for her present strength and efficiency than to all other human agencies combined; and it would be wise in the authorities of the Church to recognize that fact before it is too late.

Brother Brown's last field of itinerant labor was Bowersville Circuit, Hillsboro District, in 1865-6. On entering upon his work in this charge, he was painfully conscious of his physical inability to do what he saw was needed, and what he knew would be expected of him. His failing health admonished him to be sparing in his labors, but the growing wants of the work seemed to demand all the strength and energy which he possessed, and these were not withheld, though he often labored in great pain. At the close of this year (1866), under the pressure of increasing infirmities, he asked for and received a superannuated relation.

In 1868 he removed to a farm which he had purchased in Miami County, Indiana, where he spent the remainder of his life. Though in the quiet of his country home, which was entirely congenial to his feelings and tastes, he was not an uninterested observer of the world's moral battle-fields, and when Conference time drew near he could not repress the desire to be in at the roll-call, and to take his place in the ranks of the advancing army. But even here grace triumphed, and he was content to be on the retired list, so long as it was the Lord's will.

From experience, as well as from the Bible, he was assured of the truth of the doctrine of Christian holiness, as held and taught by Wesley and his coadjutors. He greatly loved the services of the sanctuary, and, even when he was dependent upon his friends to carry him to the place of worship, he could exclaim, with David, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go up to the house of the Lord." But for nearly a year preceding his death he was not permitted to enjoy this privilege. His sick-room, however, was itself a sanctuary, and from that room, as he said to his pastor, he hoped for a speedy transfer to the upper sanctuary, where suffering was unknown.

During all his sickness his faith in the atoning sacrifice of Christ was unwavering. Often he testified that he was "ready to depart," and was only "waiting the Master's call." On one occasion, when questioned as to the future, he said, with great emphasis and in a triumphant tone and manner, "There is light ahead!" At another time his pastor asked the question, "Does Jesus give you the victory?" to which he promptly responded, "Yes," while his whole frame shook with joyous emotions.

In a few days after this, on the 23d of September, 1876, in Miami County, Indiana, he sweetly fell asleep in Jesus.

A wife, who had been a faithful helpmeet for thirty-two years, survives him; also two adopted children, to whom he was greatly attached.

M. DUSTIN.

MRS. JACINTHIA SPENCER.

JACINTHIA SPENCER, widow of Rev. R. O. Spencer, deceased, of the Cincinnati Conference, was born in Athens, Ohio, December 30, 1807, and died at the Bourneville parsonage, the residence of her son-in-law, Rev. A. H. Windsor, March 13, 1877.

She was converted and joined the Church in 1827, and for nearly fifty years was a faithful and consistent member of the same. Her religion was of that quiet, undemonstrative, but practical kind that exhibited itself in deeds rather than words. She was capable of great self-denial for the good of those she loved, showing the admirable discipline of her Christian character. Her spirit seemed of the highest mold, sensitive and refined, yet withal strong and lofty in its views, aspiring to the highest and noblest things, believing that the soul, body, and spirit, sanctified and devoted to God's service, is the crowning glory of man.

She was married to Rev. R. O. Spencer in 1828, and for thirty years shared with him the sorrows and joys, the shadows and sunshine, the toils and triumphs, of the Methodist itinerancy. She was a loving wife, and faithful in all her house, an intelligent and refined Christian woman, making her home a pleasant retreat for the weary itinerant and for all who became her guests, giving to all a cordial welcome and a generous hospitality. To her wedded life were born six sons and two daughters. Three sons and one daughter preceded her to their heavenly home, and three sons and one daughter remain to lament their loss. Two sons and a son-in-law are in the ministry, and all are members of the Church; and thus, she, being dead, yet speaketh. For nearly twenty years she has worn the weeds of widowhood, mourning for those gone before, and ripening and maturing for the heavenly garner, and longing for the time when the Master would say, "It is enough, come up higher."

For ten years she suffered much with a severe bronchial affection, from which she could find no relief, and yet she was patient in all her sufferings. She often expressed a desire to depart and be with Christ. She gradually declined till, at the last, the weary wheels of life stood still, and so quietly did she fall asleep that those who watched by her bedside scarcely knew when the spirit took its flight. Her remains rest by the side of those of her lamented husband, in the cemetery at Athens.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

W. HERR.

MRS. RACHEL E. SWORMSTEDT.

RACHEL ELSIE SWORMSTEDT, relict of the late Rev. Leroy Swormstedt, was born in Morgantown, Va., August 11, 1805, and died in Mt. Washington, O., July 23d. Being early deprived of a mother's care, she was largely

indebted to a faithful colored nurse, from whom she received such religious impressions as led her, while in her teens, to seek Christ. Her search being rewarded, she united with the Church, and began a career of unswerving fidelity. She revealed her fitness to rank as a leader among the hosts of Israel; and, being qualified by nature and grace, she was early called to a position of eminent responsibility. January, 1833, she was married to Rev. Leroy Swormstedt, at that time Presiding Elder of Zanesville District, in the Ohio Conference. She entered heartily into the great life-work of her companion, and stood nobly by him in the thickest of the fight. Brother Swormstedt's next appointment was to the Cincinnati District, and before the close of his official term he was elected one of the Agents of the Western Book Concern. For twenty-four years this relation remained unbroken, during which time our sister was eminent in usefulness. Her home, on Broadway, was the frequent resting-place of the weary itinerant. If these could be called from the North and West and South, and many others from the "distant shining land," they would tell of a cordial greeting and Christian hospitality characteristic of the olden time. In addition to her household cares, she was an active worker in the Ladies' Home Mission Society, and for many years its President. The hospital, too, was included in the list of places receiving her attention. She was accustomed to make her visits with frequency and regularity, breaking the bread of eternal life to friendless sufferers. So great was her devotion to this work that she often exceeded her strength in its performance, and not unfrequently was detained as a sufferer among those to whom she had gone forth to minister. She was remarkably punctual in her attendance upon the means of grace, allowing nothing not absolutely prohibitory to keep her from the sanctuary or class-room; and, when present, was always an earnest participant in the services. She was also untiring in her efforts to lead the unconverted to Christ, and lukewarm professors to a richer experience and greater zeal. When the active services of her husband were terminated by broken health, she retired with him to the quiet surroundings of a country home. But it was not the Lord's will that his years of suffering should be many; so, August 28, 1863, the happy union of more than thirty years' duration was broken up, and sister Swormstedt became a widow. She was not disposed to murmur at her lot, but with calm submission bowed to the chastening rod.

In the Autumn of 1876, she was induced to go South, and pass the Winter in the home of her eldest son. Her stay was protracted until the latter part of June, 1877, when she returned to her home but to greet her friends and then to die. She was in the class-room on Friday afternoon, June 29th, and spoke with unusual fervency.

Her sickness dates from the evening of this day, and, though quite severe at the beginning, was of that misleading type that poorly prepares the way for such a bereavement. Her expressions, during her illness, concerning present experience and future hope, were not numerous, but were all of the most satisfactory character. Each object and act became associated with some passage of Scripture, and fragments of these found frequent utterance through her fevered lips. "Water of life," was a favorite expression when about to receive a cooling draught. Some days

before her death, when caused to believe that her illness might prove fatal, she expressed herself quite freely, as "content to abide the Lord's will," and "sweetly trusting in Jesus." A little while before the messenger came, her daughter being anxious to obtain some word of recognition, and failing in an effort to engage her attention, a friend said: "Mrs. Swormstedt, Birdie is right here by you. Do n't you know it?" She, with great effort, replied, "Yes, I know it all." Shortly after, she said, "All well;" and, at ten minutes past six o'clock, "the weary wheels of life stood still."

R. E. SMITH.

MRS. OLIVE L. REEDER.

OLIVE LANGDON was born in Vershire, Vt., April 13, 1794, and died in Cincinnati, Oct. 26, 1876, in her eighty-third year. - She came to Ohio in 1806, and settled in Columbia (now a part of Cincinnati). She embraced religion in 1810, and in 1811 united with what was called the "Old Stone Church," now Wesley Chapel. April 2, 1818, she was united in marriage with Joseph A. Reeder, who is now a superannuated member of the Cincinnati Conference.

In 1829, brother Reeder entered the Ohio Conference, and for nearly twenty-five years she shared with her husband the sacrifices of the itinerancy. She cheerfully accepted the situation, and gave herself up to the work of saving others, and in all things to glorify God. On account of the feeble condition of her husband (he being afflicted with rheumatism), she would often accompany him to his appointments, and close the services with exhortation and prayer. In younger life, she possessed a marked talent for exhortation, and often at camp-meetings she exhorted sinners with wonderful power. Her religious life has been marked with earnestness and consistency. In her own house she went about her domestic duties singing, and then breaking forth in words of rejoicing and praise to God. She was the mother of three children, one daughter and two sons; a few years ago the daughter passed away, at the age of thirty-four years. The two sons remain to cheer their aged father. In 1840, mother Reeder had a severe attack of paralysis, and in a few years after she had another attack. Until her death she was feeble, but always at her post in the house of God. Her seat in front of the pulpit was seldom vacant. October 19, 1876, she fell while going up a flight of stairs, and shortly after was paralyzed in her left side, and was not able to converse to any extent afterward.

She had her consciousness at times till about twenty-four hours before her death. She fell asleep in Jesus.

EDWARD M'HUGH.

ROLL OF THE CINCINNATI CONFERENCE,

From its Organization, in 1852, to 1877.

PREPARED BY W. H. SUTHERLAND, SECRETARY.

[Present members in SMALL CAPITALS. Preachers now members of other conferences in *italics*. D., deceased. T., transferred. E., expelled. L., located. W., withdrawn. The dates to the left are the time of reception into full connection in the itinerancy. Dates and letters to the right indicate time and method of cessation of membership in the Cincinnati Conference. Figures in parenthesis show to what Conference transferred.]

..... Adams, Charles (22).....	T. 1858.	1835. Brooks, Cyrus (29).....	T. 1857.
1846. Ahrens, Wm. (20).....	T. 1864.	1851. Brownmiller, B.....	D. 1856.
1844. Allyn, Robt. (25).....	T. 1863.	1826. Brown, Arza.....	D. 1869.
1874. AMBROSE, J. C.....	.....	1843. BROWN, SAMUEL.....	.....
1829. Armstrong, Jas.....	D. 1874.	1871. Brown, O. A. (42).....	T. 1873.
1840. ARTHUR, R. A.....	.....	1865. Bryson, M. A. (25)....W., T.	1867.
1854. Audas, Thomas (30).....	T. 1856.	1854. Bugbee, L. H. (10).....	T. 1875.
1854. Augst, Wm.....	.....	1872. BURDSALL, E.....	.....
1875. AULTMAN, D. L.....	.....	1855. Buswell, John.....	L. 1857.
1835. Austin, Jas. B.....	D. 1858.	1855. CALLAHAN, DENNIS.....	.....
1850. BAIL, Jas. T.....	.....	1827. Callender, N.....	D. 1876.
1816. Baker, Henry.....	D. 1864.	1861. CASE, W. W.....	.....
..... BAKER, HENRY.....	.....	1852. CASSATT, J. W.....	.....
1845. BAKER, M. G.....	.....	1860. CAREY, S. W.....	.....
1877. BAKER, DELOS R.....	.....	1852. Cavin, J. M.....	D. 1855.
1876. BAKER, W. J.....	.....	1845. CHALFANT, J. F.....	.....
1849. Balduff, J. V	L. 1855.	1872. CHENEY, D. D.....	.....
..... Barrows, L. D. (44).....	T. 1858.	1865. CLARK, LUCIEN.....	.....
1858. Barth, Sebastian (12)....T.	1856.	1877. CLARK, DAVIS W.....	.....
1841. BARTON, JOHN.....	.....	1849. CLAYTON, S. D.....	.....
1854. Bauer, Emil (12).....	T. 1856.	1868. CLEMANS, F. M.....	.....
1851. Beall, I. I. ....D.	1861.	1852. COLE, E. M.....	.....
1852. BEALL, A. U.....	.....	1852. COLLETT, THOMAS.....	.....
1857. Benjamin, D. C. (19).....	T. 1866.	1862. Conner, G. J.....	D. 1873.
1849. Bennett, M. G.....	D. 1857.	1837. CONREY, S. F.....	.....
1852. BENNETT, SILAS.....	.....	1839. CONREY, J. F.....	.....
1843. Biehr, John (20).....	T. 1864.	1866. Copeland, D. (41).....	T. 1872.
1851. Biehr, Conrad (20).....	T. 1864.	1848. Cowden, T. S.....	.....
1855. Bitler, Michael.....	L. 1865.	1869. CRANSTON, EARL.....	.....
1852. BLACK, W. H.....	.....	1862. CRAMER, M. J.....	.....
1852. BLACK, J. G.....	.....	1852. Creighton, Saml. T. (27)....T.	1854.
1850. Blackburn, Jos.....	D. L. 1858.	1848. Crow, T. D.....	L. 1866.
1844. Blair, Jas. G. (14)....L. T.	1842.	1833. CRUM, G. C.....	.....
1858. Bocenhard, C. (12).....	T. 1856.	1869. CRUM, C. T.....	.....
1874. BOLTIN, J. C.....	.....	1850. Curry, H. M.....	D. 1874.
1829. Bontecou, J. C.....	D. 1876.	1843. Danker, George.....	D. 1861.
1844. Botkin, Jesse.....	D. 1870.	1860. DARLINGTON, N. W.....	.....
1822. Boucher, Joshua.....	D. 1874.	1858. DART, G. H.....	.....
1867. BOWERS, A.....	.....	1837. Davis, W. R. (26).....	T. 1853.
1845. Bowman, M. T....D., W.	1864.	1864. DAVIS, F. S.....	.....
1872. BOYER, W. M.....	.....	1873. DAVIS, L. M.....	.....
1856. Braden, John (38).....	T. 1857.	1876. DAVIS, J. H.....	.....
1823. BRANDRIFF, RICH'D.....	.....	1813. Davisson, D. D.....	D. 1871.
1856. BREWSTER, S. A.....	.....	1851. Day, I. D. (14).....	D., T. 1852.
1846. Briggs, M. C. (24).....	T. 1872.	1840. De Hass, F. S. (2).....	T. 1871.
1847. Brodbeck, Paul (20).....	T. 1864.	1856. DEEM, J. C.....	.....
1874. BRODBECK, W. N.....	1865. DEEM, R. H.....
1860. Brooke, C. A. (18).....	T. 1871.	1853. Dennett, Wesley (30).....	T. 1856.

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1859. Dieckman, Henry (20)....T. 1864.	1837. GROVER, J. L.....
1877. DIMMICK, BENJ. F.....	1854. Haight, John (21)....T. 1855.
1844. Dinkins, Alex.....D. 1857.	1856. Hall, J. R.....D. 1860.
1876. DREES, C. W.....	1868. Hamilton, A.....W. 1877.
1852. Dressler, Wm.....L.	1876. HAMMELL, G. M.....
1877. DUBOIS, GEO. W.....	1839. Harlan, L. D.....E. 1855.
1855. Dunlap, A. P.....D. 1863.	1852. Harris, G. W.....D. 1863.
1856. Dunn, T. S. (34)....T. 1860.	1862. HARRIS, T. J.....
1838. DUSTIN, MIGHILL.....	1858. Hartley, W. S.....D. 1869.
1876. EASTON, J. A.....	1843. Hatfield, R. M. (6)....T. 1874.
1859. Eckermeyer, Wm. (20)....T. 1864.	1873. HAYWARD, D. L.....
1826. Eddy, Augustus (17)..D., T. 1855.	1856. Head, Thomas (23)....T. 1869.
1857. EDGAR, G. M.....	1868. Head, M. A. (23)....T. 1869.
1859. EDMISTON, S. W.....	1852. Heidmeyer, Fred. (12)....T. 1856.
1820. Elliott, A. W.....D. 1858.	1848. Helwig, Charles (20)....T. 1864.
1820. Elliott, Charles (30)..D., T. 1857.	1849. Henke, Henry.....L.
1836. Ellsworth, W. I.....D. 1877.	1830. HERR, WILLIAM.....
1840. ELLSWORTH, J. B.....	1856. Herron, J. H. (11)....T. 1869.
1853. Engel, Wm.....D.	1857. Herzer, H. (20)....T. 1864.
1852. Ellis, John (14)....T. 1853.	1870. HIGGINS, A. E.....
1860. Euans, T. J.....L. 1876.	1830. HILL, J. J.....
1844. FEE, W. I.....	1862. Hill, E. F. (33)....T. 1873.
1860. FEE, G. W.....	1856. HINES, W. E.....
1844. FERGUSON, CHARLES.....	1833. Holland, S. H.....D. 1860.
1861. FIDLER, T. E.....	1845. Holtzinger, P. F. (30)....T. 1854.
1825. FIELD, E. H.....	1846. Hoppen, John (19)...D., T. 1856.
1810. Finley, J. B.....D. 1857.	1867. House, Erwin.....D. 1875.
1857. Fishbach, J. W. (20)....T. 1864.	1837. Howard, Solomon (14)..D., T. 1852.
1850. Fisher, H. D. (32)....T. 1876.	1866. HULL, J. F.....
1839. Fitch, John.....W. 1865.	1870. HUNTER, J. R.....
1851. Fitzgerald, Wm. (13)....T. 1876.	1851. HYPES, W. L.....
1851. Floerke, Wm .....D., L. 1856.	1859. HYPES, F. W.....
1865. Ford, J. B. (45)....T. 1866.	1838. Inskip, J. S. (2)....T. 1852.
1844. Fowble, J. W.....D. 1871.	1874. IRVIN, J. N.....
1863. Frame, C. T.....L. 1872.	1849. JACKSON, W. B.....
1856. French, Mansfield...D., L. 1859.	1862. Jackson, W. P. (45)....T. 1866.
1856. Fritsche, C. G. (20)....T. 1864.	1867. JACKSON, W. P.....
1850. Fry, Jacob.....D., L. 1853.	1855. Jahraus, Valentine (12)...T. 1856.
1855. Fuss, J. H. A.....D.	1858. JAMES, E. P.....
1838. Fyffe, W. H.....D. 1863.	..... Jameson, M. P.....W. 1855.
1857. Gabler, Jacob (20)....T. 1864.	1853. Kaetter, Wm.....D. 1860.
1838. GADDIS, M. P.....	1840. KALBFUS, CHARLES.....
1876. GADDIS, J. W.....	1873. KALBFUS, C. H.....
1838. Gassner, Joseph (30)....T. 1854.	1854. Kapphan, F. (12)....E., T. 1856.
1848. Gahn, Conrad (20)....T. 1864.	1850. KAUFFMAN, M.....
1843. Gatch, J. M.....D. 1869.	1858. KECK, H. M.....
1844. Geyer, Wm.....L.	1845. KEELEY, J. W.....
1851. Geyer, J.....L.	1855. KELLEY, G. W.....
1865. Giften, C. M. (2)....T. 1868.	1867. Kelly, Bernard (33)....T. 1870.
1873. Gilbert, J. E. (21)....T. 1875.	1836. KEMPER, DAVID.....
1851. GLASSCOCK, BENJ.....	1855. KENNEDY, G. H.....
1843. Gorsuch, Thomas.....D. 1855.	1856. KETCHAM, C. W.....
1848. Gossard, T. M. (29)....T. 1856.	1853. Kendall, James (14)....T. 1874.
1869. Gowdy, C. F.....	..... Kingsley, J. C.....W. 1860.
1859. Graessle, Andrew.....L. 1861.	1857. Kissinger, Charles.....D. 1861.
1860. Green, Nehemiah (33)...T. 1865.	1859. Kirk, Eli.....D. 1871.
1858. GREGG, J. L.....	1848. Kline, A. J.....D.
1855. Griffis, Daniel.....D. 1861.	1853. Krehbiel, Jacob (12)....T. 1856.
1855. Griffis, S. G. (26)....T. 1866.	1877. KUGLER, M. M.....
1865. GRIFFITH, A. M.....	

1842. Langarl, Wm.....	E. 1854.	1835. Nation, Philip.....	D. 1856,
1835. Lawder, W. H.....	D. 1877.	1856. Neer, Samuel.....	D. 1857.
1810. Laws, James.....	E. 1854.	1851. Neff, Isaac.....	D. 1872.
1848. LAWTON, C. H.....	.....	1835. Newson, Joseph.....	D. 1862.
1871. LEASE, J. H.....	.....	..... Nicholson, E. G.....	L. 1860.
1851. Leavitt, J. M.....	W. 1862.	1856. Nier, Daniel (12)....L., T. 1856.	
1851. LEE, THOMAS.....	.....	1858. Ninde, W. X. (40).....T. 1870.	
1852. LEONARD, A. B.....	.....	1856. Nippert, L. (36).....T. 1856.	
1855. Lewis, W. G. W. (3)....T. 1864.		1849. Nuhfer Nicholas (12).....T. 1864.	
1858. Loebenstein, A. (20)....T. 1864.		1824. Ogden, P. A.....D. 1876.	
1825. Lorraine, A. M.....	D. 1863.	1839. Owens, Ebenezer.....W. 1862.	
1835. Lovell, C. R.....	D. 1863.	1855. Owens, G. B.....D. 1863.	
1842. LOWREY, ASBURY.....	.....	1867. Parrish, N. C.....D. 1875.	
1851. LOYD, J. F.....	.....	1854. PARROTT, GEORGE.....	
1877. MADDOX, ALLEN B.....	.....	1857. PAYNE, C. H.....	
1852. MADDY, J. C.....	.....	1841. PEARNE, T. H.....	
1861. MAHON, WM.....	.....	1871. PEAK, T. D. W.....	
1874. Mappin, W. F.....	W. 1876.	1867. PEARSON, JOHN.....	
1857. Manning, J. T.....	L. 1873.	1868. Peters, J. W. (14).....T. 1873.	
1833. Marlay, Michael.....	D. 1866.	1850. PEREGRINE, J. S.....	
1852. MARLAY, J. F.....	.....	1849. Phetzing, John (20).....T. 1864.	
1871. MARSH, S. N.....	.....	1835. Phillips, T. A. G.....D. 1877.	
1858. MASON, J. W.....	.....	1866. PORTER, J. P.....	
1833. MATHEWS, J. M'D.....	.....	1870. PRINCE, N. H.....	
1857. MAXEY, W. N.....	.....	1865. PUMPHREY, J. S	
1847. MCABE, L. D.....	.....	1837. Purkhizer, M. G.....D. 1875.	
1869. M'Clelland, J. F. (24)....T. 1872.		1854. Purkhizer, H. E.....D. 1862.	
1876. M'COLM, J. F.....	.....	1848. QUARRY, W. J.....	
1856. M'DONALD, N.....	.....	1862. RAE, W. S.....	
1843. MEHARRY, ALEX.....	.....	1865. Ramsey, W. W. (11)....T. 1871.	
1848. Meredith, C. G.....	D. 1854.	1868. RALEIGH, A. D.....	
1864. Meredith, R. R. (3)....T. 1873.		1821. Raper, W. H.....D. 1852.	
1866. Mendenhall, J. W. (39)....T. 1868.		1834. Reed, David.....D. 1867.	
1851. Merrick, E. C.....	L. 1863.	1852. Reed, G. H.....E. 1860.	
1858. M'Gregor, J. W. (29)....T. 1870.		1852. Reed, J. C.....L. 1853.	
1858. M'HUGH, ED.....	.....	1866. Reed, W. H. (25).....T. 1868.	
1858. MIDDLETON, J. H.....	.....	1831. REEDER, J. A.....	
1865. MIDDLETON, H. C.....	.....	1858. Reiber, J. G. (20).....T. 1864.	
1871. MIESSE, W. H.....	.....	1853. Reiche, Gustaff.....W. 1855.	
1840. Miley, John (2).....	T. 1852.	1852. Reiter, G. A. (12).....T. 1856.	
1858. Militzer, C. A. (20)....T. 1864.		1856. Rehmenschneider, E. (36). T. 1856.	
1832. Miller, L. P.....	D. 1872.	1866. RICHARDS, M. Å.....	
1833. Miller, Adam (37)....T. 1857.		1862. Rheim, Hugo (12).....T. 1856.	
1872. MILLER, HENRY.....	.....	1853. RIDAGWAY, H. D.....	
1833. Mitchell, J. T.....	D. 1863.	1857. Rixse, J. (20).....L. T. 1864.	
1869. MITCHELL, F. G.....	.....	1871. ROBINSON, W. A.....	
1851. M'Kown, J. L. G. (40)...T. 1869.		1834. Roe, E. D.....D. 1864.	
1865. M'MULLEN, W. T.....	.....	1850. Ross, J. W. (14).....T. 1852.	
1858. MOLER, W. B.....	.....	1848. Rothweiler, Jacob (12)....T. 1864.	
1835. MOODY, GRANVILLE.....	.....	1845. Routledge Wm.....D. 1875.	
1860. MOORE, D. H.....	.....	1836. Rowe, Wesley.....D. 1862.	
1832. Morrow, W. S.....	D. 1858.	1865. RUNYAN, Wm.....	
1839. MURPHY, ANDREW.....	.....	1844. RUST, R. S.....	
1867. MURRAY, JAMES.....	.....	1853. ROBINSON, J. M.....	
1854. Musgrove, A. W.....	D. 1870.	1858. Salisbury, Saml. (17).E. T. 1866.	
1846. Mulfinger, J. M. (24)....T. 1854.		1846. SARGENT, D. H.....	
..... M'LAUGHLIN, G. S.....	.....	1849. Schimmelpennig, F. (20)..T. 1864.	
1852. Nachtrieb, Gottlieb (12)....T. 1856.		1858. Schmidt, H. D. (20).....T. 1864.	
1855. Nachtrieb, Christian (12).T. 1856.		1843. Schmucker, Peter.....D. 1861.	
1837. Nast, William (20).....	T. 1864.	1851. Schneider, Peter (12).....T. 1856.	

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1858. Schobe, R. (19).....	W., T. 1861.	1857. Tiffany, J. J.....	D. 1858.
1854. Schweinfurth, J. F. (12)....	T. 1856.	1827. Tomlinson, J. S.....	D. 1853.
1858. Schwinn, George (19).....	T. 1859.	1850. Townly, G. C.....	D. 1855.
1844. Sears, C. W.....	D. 1863.	1877. TRAVIS, G. L.....	.....
1849. Sellman, H. S.....	D. 1859.	1850. Triplett, A. J. (21)....	T. 1852.
1877. SENTMAN, J. E. H.....	.....	1877. TUCKLEY, HENRY.....	.....
1832. Seys, John.....	D. 1872.	1856. VANCE, JOHN.....	.....
1853. SHANNON, W. Q.....	.....	1866. VANCE, D. C.....	.....
1816. Sharpe, David.....	D. 1865.	1850. VAN CLEVE, L. F. (46)...	T. 1877.
1856. Shinn, John.....	D. 1872.	1862. VERITY, JONATHAN.....	.....
1874. SHORT, J. T.....	.....	1863. Vickers, R. L.....	L. 1874.
1859. SHULTZ, J. P.....	.....	1851. Vogel, Christian (20)....	T. 1864.
1862. SHULTZ, J. M'K.....	.....	1860. WALDEN, J. M.....	.....
1866. Shurick, N. M.....	L. 1867.	1829. Walker, G. W.....	D. 1856.
1822. Simmons, Wm.....	D. 1874.	1840. Wambaugh, A. B.....	D. 1873.
1820. Smith, James.....	D. 1856.	1836. WARNOCK, DAVID.....	.....
1838. Smith, Jos. W.....	L. 1859.	1858. Waterhouse, J. P.....	L. 1862.
1844. Smith, Moses.....	D. 1869.	1839. WEAKLEY, J. W.....	.....
1851. Smith, W. M. (33)....	T. 1857.	1865. WEAVER, G. T.....	.....
1844. SMITH, S. B.....	.....	1860. WEEKS, SYLVESTER.....	.....
1868. SMITH, R. E.....	.....	1844. WEBSTER, WESLEY.....	.....
1872. SMITH, E. C.....	.....	1855. Weidtman, George.....	L. 1869.
1874. SMITH, W. H.....	.....	1869. WELLS, E. T.....	.....
1857. SPAHR, A. N.....	.....	1873. WELLS, C. J.....	.....
1865. Spahr, W. E.....	D. 1866.	1850. West, E. G.....	D. 1865.
1855. Spence, J. S. (45)....	T. 1865.	1850. Westerfeld, J. R. (24)...	L. T. 1854.
1825. Spencer, R. O.....	D. 1858.	1845. Westerman, N. (14)....	T. 1853.
1851. Spencer, O. M. (31)....	T. 1860.	1854. Weunsch, Alfred (12)...	L. T. 1856.
..... Stiles, L. C. (43)....	T. 1857.	1850. Wheat, B. P. (37)....	T. 1857.
1858. STARR, D. J.....	.....	1828. Whitcomb, David.....	D. 1866.
1862. STEPHENSON, JAMES.....	.....	1824. White, Levi.....	D. 1866.
1854. STOKES, HENRY.....	.....	1846. WHITMER, DAVID.....	.....
1837. STONE, J. W.....	.....	1872. WHITNEY, J. S.....	.....
1857. Stillwell, J. R.....	L. 1869.	1843. Wilber, P. B.....	D. 1859.
1834. Strickland, W. P. (1)....	W., T. 1855.	1845. Wilkins, Peter.....	.....
1866. Studley, W. S. (2)....	T. 1868.	1855. WILLIAMS, W. N.....	.....
1855. Sullivan, J. M. (33)....	T. 1870.	1872. WILSON, JOHN.....	.....
1845. SUTHERLAND, W. H. (21)....	T. 1877.	1846. Wittenbach, Chris....	W., L. 1862.
1874. SUTHERLAND, J. W.....	.....	1856. Wolf, F. C. (31)....	D. T. 1857.
1833. Swain, C. W.....	D. 1870.	1852. Wones, Timothy (14)....	D. T. 1852.
1820. Swormstedt, Leroy.....	D. 1863.	1870. Wren, Harrison.....	W. 1872.
1877. TAGGART, JOS. I.....	.....	1817. WRIGHT, JOHN F.....	.....
1863. Thomas, C. F.....	W. 1872.	1855. Wunderlich, Erhart (20)...	T. 1864.
1852. Thompson, J. J. (33)....	T. 1871.	1832. YOUNG, WM.....	.....
1860. Thompson, A. W.....	W. 1865.	1873. YOUNG, LAFAYETTE.....	.....
1854. Thurber, W. J.....	L. 1873.	1842. Yourtee, S. L. (12)....	T. 1873.
1848. TIBBITS, A. W.....	.....	1851. ZINK, M. P.....	.....

(1) Trans. to New York.

(2) " N. York East.

(3) " N. England.

(4) " Providence.

(5) " Maine.

(6) " Philadelphia.

(7) " New Jersey.

(8) " Newark.

(9) " Baltimore.

(10) " Pittsburg.

(11) " Erie.

(12) " North Ohio.

(13) " Central Ohio.

(14) " Ohio.

(15) " East Ohio.

(16) " Indiana.

(17) Trans. to North Indiana.

(18) " N. W. Indiana.

(19) " S. E. Indiana.

(20) " Centr'l German.

(21) " Ohio.

(22) " Illinois.

(23) " Central Illinois.

(24) " Rock River.

(25) " Southern Ill.

(26) " Missouri.

(27) " Wisconsin.

(28) " Michigan.

(29) " Minnesota.

(30) " Iowa.

(31) " Upper Iowa.

(32) " Nebraska.

(33) Trans. to Kansas.

(34) " California,

(35) " Oregon.

(36) " Germany.

(37) " Peoria.

(38) " Tennessee.

(39) " Des Moines.

(40) " Detroit.

(41) " Wyoming.

(42) " Troy.

(43) " Genesee.

(44) " N. Hampshire.

(45) " Holston.

(46) " East Ohio.

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CINCINNATI: *Wesley Chapel*—S. Weeks.

Trinity—E. Cranston.
Asbury—A. Bowers.
Pendleton—W. Young.
Pearl Street—W. H. Miesse.
Mt. Auburn—W. W. Case.
Walnut Hills—H. Baker.
Grace Church—M. A. Richards.
M'Kendree—E. M'Hugh.
Columbia—D. W. Clark.
Madisonville—J. W. Mason.
Mt. Washington—G. L. Travis.
Camp Dennison—W. J. Baker.
Milford—R. K. Deem.
Centenary—W. T. M'Mullen.
Loveland—M. M. Kugler.
Mainville—C. T. Crum.
Lebanon—J. N. Irvin.
Goshen—H. C. Middleton.
Morrow and South Lebanon—G. W. Dubois.

Waynesville—To be supplied.
New Burlington—W. B. Jackson.
XENIA: *First Church*—L. Clark.
Trinity—W. N. Brodbeck.
Miami Circuit—A. M. Griffith, J. A. Story.
J. M. Walden, Agent of Western Methodist Book Concern, member of Madisonville Quarterly Conference.

Thomas Lee, Chaplain, and Superintendent of Cincinnati Union Bethel, member of Trinity Quarterly Conference.
D. H. Moore, President Cincinnati Wesleyan College, member of Trinity Quarterly Conference.
Charles W. Drees, Missionary to Mexico.

WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.

C. W. KETCHAM, P. E.

CINCINNATI: *St. Paul*—H. B. Ridgaway.
St. John's—H. Tuckley.
Christie—W. Runyan.
Finley—C. W. Rishell.

York Street—D. C. Vance.
M'Lean—J. W. Gaddis.
Fairmount—G. W. Kelley.
Cumminsville and Camp Washington—D. R. Baker.
Groesbeck—J. Wilson.
Winton Place—J. F. Conrey.
Hartwell—B. F. Dimmick.
Carthage—To be supplied.
Lockland—D. J. Starr.
Port Union—J. Pearson.
Cheviot—S. Bennett.
Bethany—J. S. Whitney.
Hamilton—G. H. Dart.
Oxford—J. Murray.
Venice—J. R. Hunter.
Harrison—S. B. Smith.
Eaton—T. S. Cowden.
Camden—J. E. H. Sentman.
Seven-mile—E. Burdsall.
New Paris—L. F. Young.
Fair Haven and Sugar Valley—J. F. Hull.

Walker and Union—J. A. White.
North Bend—G. T. Weaver.
Delhi—J. W. Sutherland.
R. S. Rust, Corresponding Secretary Freedmen's Aid Society, member Trinity Quarterly Conference.
C. H. Payne, President Ohio Wesleyan University, member of St. Paul Quarterly Conference.

DAYTON DISTRICT.

J. STEPHENSON, P. E.

DAYTON: *Grace Church*—A. B. Leonard.

Raper—E. T. Wells.
Sears Street and Ebenezer—W. N. Williams.

Davission Chapel—C. F. Gowdy.TROY: *Mulberry Street*—S. A. Brewster.

Tippecanoe—J. J. Hill.
Addison—M. P. Zink, one to be supplied.

Concord—W. S. Rae.
Brookville—J. A. Easton.
Gordon—To be supplied.
Germantown—T. E. Fidler.
West Elkton—To be supplied.

PIQUA: Green Street—J. F. Marlay.
Grace Church—S. O. Royal.
Lockington—J. C. Ambrose.
Fletcher—D. D. Cheney.
St. Paris and Lena—M. Dustin.
Brant—T. DeWitt Peak.
Miamisburg—F. S. Davis.
Franklin—C. Ferguson.
Red Lion and Springboro—W. Q. Shannon.
Fairfield—N. Prince.
New Carlisle—M. Kauffman.
Middletown—G. Moody.
Monroe—A. U. Beall.
 W. Herr, Financial Agent Preachers' Relief Society, member of Grace Church Quarterly Conference.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.

J. W. CASSATT, P. E.

SPRINGFIELD: Central Church—W. A. Robinson.
High Street—F. G. Mitchell.
URBANA: First Church—S. D. Clayton.
Second Church—A. N. Spahr.
King's Creek—D. L. Hayward and S. W. Carey.
Mingo and Tabor—J. S. Pumphrey.
North Lewisburg—G. H. Kennedy.
East Liberty—W. P. Jackson.
Westville—J. G. Black.
Union—C. H. Lawton.
Centerville—J. M. Shultz.
New Jasper—A. W. Tibbits.
Mechanicsburg—F. M. Clemans.
Moorefield—W. H. Smith.
Yellow Springs—H. M. Keck.
Jamestown—J. P. Shultz.
Catawba—E. C. Smith, H. C. Weakley.
South Charleston—W. H. Black.
Old Town—C. H. Kalbfus.
Cedarville—J. L. Gregg.
Bellbrook—To be supplied.
 L. D. McCabe, Professor of Philosophy in Ohio Wesleyan University, member of High Street Quarterly Conference.
 J. T. Short, Professor of English Language and Literature in Ohio Wesleyan University, member of High Street Quarterly Conference.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

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Hillsboro—T. H. Pearne.
Greenfield—T. Collett.
New Lexington—R. E. Smith.
Leesburg—D. Whitmer.
Rainsboro—J. H. Davis.
Sinking Springs—G. M. Edgar, J. C. Boltin.
Wilmington—J. P. Porter.
Bowersville—D. L. Aultman.
Clarksville—J. I. Taggart.
Lynchburg—J. H. Middleton.
Sardinia—S. W. Edmiston, one to be supplied.
Butlerville—W. Mahon, G. M. Hammell.
Marshall—E. D. Keyes.
Martinsville—A. D. Raleigh.
Winchester—E. M. Cole, H. Witham.
 J. F. Loyd, President of Hillsboro Female College, member Hillsboro Quarterly Conference.

RIPLEY DISTRICT.

W. I. FEE, P. E.

Ripley—T. J. Harris.
Felicity—W. J. Quarry.
Georgetown—H. Miller.
Bethel—A. D. Maddox.
New Richmond—L. M. Davis.
Decatur—A. E. Higgins.
Manchester—N. W. Darlington.
Moscow—W. B. Moler.
Laurel—W. F. Eastman.
Amelia—F. Leever.
Williamsburg—W. M. Boyer.
Batavia—J. H. Lease.
Aberdeen—S. N. Marsh.
Boston—F. Hypes.
Collins—J. F. M'Colm.
Olive Branch—J. Vance.
Feesburg—H. Stokes.
Mt. Orab and Benton—G. S. M'Laughlin.
Marathon—E. P. James.
West Union—C. T. Wells, one to be supplied.
 J. H. Roberts, Missionary at Las Cruces and Mesilla, New Mexico.
 L. F. Van Cleve, transferred to the East Ohio Conference.
 W. H. Sutherland, transferred to the Ohio Conference.

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Ambrose, J. C.....	Lockington.....	1	Lockington.....	Shelby.
Arthur, R. A.....	Superannuated	
Aultman, D. L....	Bowersville.....	3	Bowersville.....	Greene.
Bail, J. T.....	Hillsboro District.....	3	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Baker, D. R.....	Cummins'le & C. Wash.	1	Cumminsville.....	Hamilton.
Baker, M. G.....	Superannuated .....	..	Miamisburg.....	Montgomery
Baker, W. J.....	Camp Dennison.....	1	Camp Dennison.....	Hamilton.
Baker, H.....	Walnut Hills.....	1	Ash Ave. W. Hills.	Hamilton.
Barton, J.....	Care Rev. W. Herr.....	..	Dayton	Montgomery
Beall, A. U.....	Monroe.....	3	Monroe.....	Butler.
Bennett, S.....	Cheviot.....	1	Cheviot	Hamilton.
Black, J. G.....	Westville.....	1	Westville	Champaign.
Black, W. H.....	South Charleston	2	South Charleston	Clarke.
Boltin, J. C.....	Sinking Springs.....	1	Sinking Springs.....	Highland.
Bowers, A.....	Asbury.....	3	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Boyer, W. M.....	Williamsburg	1	Williamsburg	Clermont.
Brandriff, R.....	Superannuated .....	..	Piqua	Miami.
Brewster, S. A....	Troy	3	Troy	Miami.
Brodbeck, W. N....	Trinity	1	Xenia	Greene.
Burdsall, E.....	Seven-mile.....	3	Seven-mile.....	Butler.
Callahan, D.....	Superannuated .....	..	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Carey, S. W.....	King's Creek.....	1	King's Creek.....	Champaign.
Case, W. W.....	Mount Auburn	3	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Cassatt, J. W.....	Springfield District.....	4	Springfield	Clarke.
Chalfant, J. F....	Supernumerary .....	..	Springdale	Hamilton.
Cheney, D. D.....	Fletcher	3	Fletcher	Miami.
Clark, L.....	First Church	1	Xenia	Greene.
Clark, Davis W.	Columbia	1	1729 Eastern Ave., Cin'ti.	Hamilton.
Clayton, S. D.....	First Church	3	Urbana	Champaign.
Clemans, F. M....	Mechanicsburg	1	Mechanicsburg	Champaign.
Cole, E. M.....	Winchester	2	Winchester	Adams.
Collett, T.....	Greenfield	1	Greenfield	Highland.
Conrey, J. F.....	Winton Place.....	3	Winton Place.....	Hamilton.
Conrey, S. F.....	Supernumerary .....	..	King's Creek	Champaign.
Cowden, T. S.....	Eaton	1	Eaton	Preble.
Cranston, E.....	Trinity	3	312 Elm St., Cinc'ti	Hamilton.
Cramer, M. J.....	Superannuated .....	..	Copenhagen	Denmark.
Crum, G. C.....	Superannuated .....	..	Xenia	Greene.
Crum, C. T.....	Mainville	1	Mainville	Warren.
Dart, G. H.....	Hamilton	2	Hamilton	Butler.
Darlington, N.W....	Manchester	1	Manchester	Adams.
Davis, F. S.....	Miamisburg.....	2	Miamisburg	Montgomery
Davis, J. H.....	Rainsboro	1	Rainsboro	Highland.
Davis, L. M.....	New Richmond.....	1	New Richmond	Clermont.
Deem, J. C.....	Superannuated	Eaton	Preble.

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Deem, R. K.....	Milford.....	1 Milford.....	Clermont.
Dimmick, B. F....	Hartwell.....	1 Hartwell	Hamilton.
Drees, C. W.....	Missionary	Puebla..	Mexico.
Dubois, G. W.....	Morrow and S. Lebanon.	1 Morrow	Clermont.
Dustin, M.....	St. Paris and Lena.....	1 St. Paris.....	Champaign.
Eastman, W. F...	Laurel.....	1 Laurel	Brown.
Easton, J. A.....	Brookville	1 Brookville.....	Montgomery
Edgar, G. M.....	Sinking Springs.....	1 Sinking Springs	Highland.
Edmiston, S. W..	Sardinia.....	2 Sardinia	Brown.
Ellsworth, J. B...	Supernumerary	Christiansburg	Clarke.
Fee, G. W.....	Supernumerary	Bethel.....	Clermont.
Fee, W. I	Ripley District ..	1 Ripley.....	Brown.
Ferguson, C.....	Franklin	2 Franklin'	Warren.
Fidler, T. E.....	Germantown.....	1 Germantown.....	Butler.
Field, E. H.....	Superannuated	St. Paris.....	Champaign.
Gaddis, M. P.....	Superannuated	Yellow Springs.....	Greene.
Gaddis, J. W.....	M'Lean	1 Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Glasscock, B.....	Superannuated	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Gowdy, C. F.....	Davisson Chapel.....	1 Dayton	Montgomery
Gregg, J. L.....	Cedarville.....	2 Cedarville...	Greene.
Griffith, A. M....	Miami Circuit.....	2 Sharonville	Hamilton.
Hammell, G. M...	Butlerville	1 Butlerville	Warren.
Harris, T. J.....	Ripley	2 Ripley.....	Brown.
Hayward, D. L...	King's Creek.....	1 Mutual	Champaign.
Herr, W.....	Agent Preac's Rel. Soc.	Dayton	Montgomery
Higgins, A. E....	Decatur	2 Decatur	Brown.
Hill, J. J.....	Tippecanoe	2 Tippecanoe City....	Miami.
Hines, W. E.....	Superannuated.....	Williamsburg	Clermont.
Hull, J. F.....	Fair Haven & Sug. Val.	3 Fair Haven.....	Proble.
Hunter, J. R.....	Venice.....	1 Ross	Hamilton.
Hypes, W. L.....	East Cincinnati District.	3 Park Av., Walnut Hills.	Hamilton.
Hypes, F.....	Boston	3 Boston	Clermont.
Irvin, J. N.....	Lebanon	3 Lebanon.....	Warren.
Jackson, W. B....	New Burlington.....	3 New Burlington....	Clinton.
Jackson, W. P....	East Liberty.....	1 East Liberty.....	Logan.
James, E. P.....	Marathon.....	1 Marathon.....	Clermont.
Kalbfus, C.....	Superannuated	Yellow Springs.....	Greene.
Kalbfus, C. H....	Old Town.....	2 Yellow Springs.....	Greene.
Kauffman, M.....	New Carlisle.....	1 New Carlisle.....	Clarke.
Keck, H. M.....	Yellow Springs	2 Yellow Springs.....	Greene.
Kelley, G. W.....	Fairmount	2 Fairmount	Hamilton.
Kemper, D	Superannuated	Lebanon	Warren.
Kennedy, G. H....	North Lewisburg	1 North Lewisburg...	Champaign.
Ketcham, C. W...	West Cincinnati Dist...	4 209 Oliver St., Cin'ti	Hamilton.
Keyes, E. D.....	Marshall	1 Marshall	Highland.
Kugler, M.....	Loveland	1 Loveland.....	Clermont.
Lawton, C. H....	Union	2 Spring Valley.....	Greene.
Lease, J. H.....	Batavia.....	3 Batavia	Clermont.

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Lee, T.....	Union Bethel.....	10	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Leever, F.....	Amelia	1	Amelia	Clermont.
Leonard, A. B....	Grace Church.....	1	Dayton	Montgomery
Lowrey, A.....	Supernumerary .....	...	Care J. Jackson, Ham'n.	Butler.
Loyd, J. F.....	Pres. Hillsboro Female Coll....	1	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Maddox, A. D.	Bethel.....	2	Bethel	Clermont.
Maddy, J. C.....	Superannuated .....	...	Linwood.....	Hamilton.
Mahon, W.....	Butlerville	3	Butlerville	Warren.
Marlay, J. F.....	Green Street	3	Piqua.....	Miami.
Marsh, S. N.....	Aberdeen	1	Aberdeen	Brown.
Mason, J. W.....	Madisonville	1	Madisonville	Hamilton.
Mathews, J. M'D.	Superannuated .....	...	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Maxey, W. N.....	Superannuated .....	...	Russell's Station....	Highland.
M'Cabe, L. D....	Prof. in O. Wes. Univ....	...	Delaware	Delaware.
M'Colm, J. F....	Collins	1	Lindale.....	Clermont.
M'Donald, N.....	Superannuated .....	...	Westboro.....	Clinton.
M'Laughlin, G. S	Mt. Orab and Benton....	1	Mt. Orab.....	Brown.
Meharry, A.....	Supernumerary .....	...	Eaton	Preble.
M'Hugh, E.....	M'Kendree	3	Cin. 311. East'n Av.	Hamilton.
Middleton, H. C...	Goshen	2	Goshen	Clermont.
Middleton, J. H...	Lynchburg.....	2	Lynchburg.....	Highland.
Miesse, W. H....	East Pearl.....	1	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Miller, H.....	Georgetown.....	2	Georgetown.....	Clermont.
Mitchell, F. G....	High Street.....	2	Springfield.....	Clarke.
M'Mullen, W. T.	Centenary.....	2	Owensville.....	Clermont.
Moler, W. B.....	Moscow	1	Moscow	Clermont.
Moody, G.....	Middletown	1	Middletown.....	Butler.
Moore, D. H.....	Pres. Cin. Wes. College	3	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Murphy, A.....	Superannuated .....	...	New Carlisle.....	Clarke.
Murray, J.....	Oxford	2	Oxford.....	Butler.
Parrott, G. W....	Supernumerary .....	...	Dayton.....	Montgomery
Payne, C. H.....	Pres. Ohio Wes. Univ....	...	Delaware..	Delaware.
Peak, T. D. W....	Brant	1	Brant.....	Montgomery
Pearne, T. H.....	Hillsboro	1	Hillsboro.....	Highland.
Pearson, J.....	Port Union.....	1	Jones Station.....	Butler.
Peregrine, J. S....	Superannuated .....	...	Winona	Minnesota.
Porter, J. P.....	Wilmington	2	Wilmington	Clinton.
Prince, N. H.....	Fairfield	1	Fairfield	Greene.
Pumphrey, J. S...	Mingo and Tabor.....	1	Mingo.....	Champaign.
Quarry, W. J.....	Felicity.....	2	Felicity	Clermont.
Rae, W. S.....	Concord	1	Union	Montgomery
Raleigh, A. D.....	Martinsville	2	Martinsville	Clinton.
Reeder, J. A.....	Superannuated .....	...	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Ridgaway H. B....	St. Paul.....	2	319 W. 7th St., Cin.	Hamilton.
Richards, M. A....	Grace Church.....	1	Avondale.....	Hamilton.
Rishell, C. W....	Finley	2	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Roberts, J. H....	Missionary.....	...	Las Cruces.....	New Mexico.
Robinson, J. M...	Superannuated.....	...	Lynchburg.....	Highland.
Robinson, W. A..	Central Church.....	1	Springfield.....	Clarke.
Royal, S. O.....	Grace Church.....	1	Piqua.....	Miami.
Runyan, W.....	Christie	2	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Rust, R. S.....	Secretary F. A. Society.	...	Cincinnati	Hamilton.

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Sentman, J. E. H.....	Camden	1	Camden.....	Preble.
Shannon, W. Q....	Red Lion & Springboro.	2	Springboro..	Warren.
Short, J. T.....	Prof. in O. Wes. Univ...	..	Delaware	Delaware.
Shultz, J. M'K....	Centerville.....	2	Centerville.....	Montgomery
Shultz, J. P.....	Jamestown	1	Jamestown	Greene.
Smith, S. B.....	Harrison	2	Harrison	Hamilton.
Smith, E. C.....	Catawba	1	Catawba.....	Clarke.
Smith, R. E.....	New Lexington.....	1	New Lexington.....	Highland.
Smith, W. H.....	Moorefield.....	1	Moorefield	Clarke.
Spahr, A. N.	Second Church.....	2	Urbana.....	Champaign.
Starr, D. J.....	Lockland	3	Wyoming	Hamilton.
Stokes, H.....	Feesburg	1	Feesburg	Brown.
Story, J. A.....	Miami Circuit.....	1	Montgomery	Hamilton.
Stephenson, J.....	Dayton District.....	3	Piqua	Miami.
Sutherland, J. W.	Delhi	1	Delhi.....	Hamilton.
Taggart, J. I.....	Clarksville.....	3	Clarksville.....	Clinton.
Tibbits, A. W.....	New Jasper.....	1	New Jasper Mills...	Greene.
Travis, G. L.....	Mt. Washington.....	1	Mt. Washington.....	Hamilton.
Tuckley, H.....	St. John's.....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Vance, J.....	Olive Branch	2	Olive Branch.....	Clermont.
Vance, D. C.....	York Street.....	2	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Verity, J.....	Supernumerary.....	2	Fairmount	Hamilton.
Walden, J. M.....	Book Agent.....	..	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Warnock, D.....	Superannuated .....	..	Urbana.....	Champaign.
Weakley, J. W... ..	Supernumerary .....	..	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Weakley, H. C... ..	Catawba	1	Catawba	Clarke.
Weaver, G. T.....	North Bend.....	2	Cleves	Hamilton.
Webster, W.....	Superannuated .....	..	South Charleston...	Clarke.
Weeks, S.....	Wesley	2	Cincinnati	Hamilton.
Wells, E. T.....	Raper Church	1	Dayton.....	Montgomery.
Wells, C. J.....	West Union.....	1	West Union	Adams.
White, J. A.....	Walker and Union.....	1	Woods' Station.....	Butler.
Whitmer, D.....	Leesburg	2	Leesburg.....	Highland.
Whitney, J. S.....	Bethany	1	Bethany	Butler.
Williams, W. N.. ..	Sears St. and Ebenezer.	2	Dayton.	Montgomery
Wilson, J.....	Groesbeck	1	Groesbeck.....	Hamilton.
Witham, J.....	Winchester	1	Winchester	Adams.
Wright, J. F.....	Superannuated.....	..	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Young, W... ..	Pendleton	1	Cincinnati.....	Hamilton.
Young, L. F.....	New Paris.....	1	New Paris.....	Preble.
Zink, M. P.....	Addison	1	Christiansburg.....	Champaign.

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 THOMAS BEACHAM, Xenia, O.
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 HIRAM JOHNSON, (L. E.) Eaton, Preble co., O.
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 WILLIAM M'CORD, (L. D.) Oxford, Butler co., O.
 CHRISTIAN MAYER, Cincinnati, O.
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 JONATHAN COX, Osborne, Greene co., O.
 SPRAGUE DAVIS, New Carlisle, Clarke co., O.
 L. O. DEPUTY, Brant, Miami co., O.
 SETH ELLIS, Springboro, Warren co., Ohio.
 PERRY FRENCH, West Charleston, Miami co., O.
 BENJAMIN C. GARVER, New Carlisle, Clarke co., O.
 SILAS HAMMON, Houston, Shelby co., O.

WILLIAM HILL, (L. D.) Enon, Clarke co., O.
WILLIAM HOWELL, (L. D.) Dayton, O.
N. HORNADY, (L. D.) West Elkton, Preble co., O.
E. H. HOPKINS, (L. D.) St. Paris, Champaign co., O.
M. A. JORDAN, St. Paris, Champaign co., O.
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WILLIAM RAYNOR, (L. D.) Piqua, O.
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DEMEREST SMITH, Dayton, O.
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L. F. THOMAS, Gordon, Darke co., O.
PHILIP TROUT, Springfield, O.
HARRISON VAUGHAN, (L. D.) Dayton, Ohio.
W. A. WAGONER, Dayton, O.
A. H. WRIGHT, Pyrmont, Montgomery co., O.

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C. H. AUSTIN, (L. D.) East Liberty, Logan co., O.
A. N. CURL, (L. D.) West Mansfield, Logan co., O.
A. C. DUEL, (L. E.) Urbana, Champaign co., O.
J. S. BELT, Spring Valley, Greene co., Ohio.
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D. W. DELAY, South Charleston, Clarke co., O.
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J. T. ROBINSON, West Mansfield, Logan co., O.
J. W. GUNN, (L. E.) Springfield, Clarke co., O.
TIMOTHY WONES, (L. E.) Springfield, Clarke co., O.
W. J. WHITE, Springfield, Clarke co., Ohio.

Hillsboro District.

D. S. AUSTIN, Cuba, Clinton co., O.
LYMAN BEARD, Sugar-tree Ridge, Highland co., O.
C. C. BOWERS, (L. D.) New Vienna, Clinton co., O.
SANFORD BURBA, (L. D.) Emerald, Adams co., O.
M. H. CHERRY, (L. E.) Rainsboro, Highland co., O.
AMOS COWGILL, Morrisville, Clinton co., O.
I. H. DEBRUIN, (L. E.) Scott, Adams co., O.
EDWARD EASTON, Sinking Springs, Highland co., O.
W. M. C. ELLIOTT, Sinking Springs, Highland co., O.
JOHN W. FENTON, Scott, Adams co., Ohio.
D. S. FERGUSON, Rainsboro, Highland co., O.
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 S. S. HARD, Russell's Station, Highland co., O.
 JOHN HITE, Sinking Springs, Highland co., O.
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 WILLIAM HOLMES, (L. D.) Memphis, Highland co., O.
 JACOB JOHNSON, (L. D.) Bowersville, Greene co., O.
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 THOMAS LOYD, Greenfield, Highland co., O.
 JOHN MANKER, (L. D.) Sardinia, Brown co., O.
 G. M. MORROW, Clarksville, Clinton co., O.
 D. A. M'COLM, (L. E.) Sardinia, Brown co., O.
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 T. GRANGE, (L. E.) Bethel, Clermont co., O.
 T. M'NEILAN, (L. E.) Bethel, Clermont co., O.
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 J. BRUNO, (L. E.) Amelia, Clermont co., O.
 J. W. DAVIS, Batavia, Clermont co., O.
 E. DOLE, (L. D.) Laurel, Clermont co., O.
 S. WEST, (L. E.) Olive Branch, Clermont co., O.
 L. SWARTZ, (L. E.) Mt. Carmel, Clermont co., O.
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 T. GOWDY, (L. D.) New Richmond, Clermont co., O.
 J. M'MATH, (L. D.) Moscow, Clermont co., O.
 — ZIMMERMAN, Williamsburg, Clermont co., O.
 CHAS. ROBINSON, Batavia, Clermont co., O.
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 C. W. COOPER, Chery Fork, Adams co., O.
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 S. THURMAN, Duncansville, Adams co., Ohio.
 J. S. M'ADAW, Dunbarton, Adams co., O.
 W. W. MANKER, Manchester, Adams co., O.
 J. P. BLOOMHUFF, (L. E.) Bradysville, Adams co., O.
 E. C. POLLARD, Aberdeen, Brown co., Ohio.
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 P. S. MOORE, Georgetown, Brown co., Ohio.
 J. C. STIRES, Hamersville, Brown co., Ohio.
 HENRY SIDWELL, New Hope, Brown co., O.
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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN:

We have this year sought to have the Minutes issued earlier than ever before. They would have reached you sooner if we had not been delayed by reports unfurnished us when adopted, and by other reports so carelessly prepared as to require rewriting before going into the printers' hands. In some of the reports published are passages that should have been carefully revised by the Committee before presentation to Conference. Can not these errors be avoided in the future? All reports should be carefully written with ink, on one side the paper only, and furnished to the Secretary ready for publication when adopted. Memoirs of ministers must be furnished in duplicate.

The Minutes of this year contain all finished proceedings, and a Memorial Roll of members from the organization of the Cincinnati Conference.

The circulation of the Minutes deserves still more care. Our people need the information they contain, of what the Church is doing in her organized methods of work. If each minister will call for subscriptions for Conference Minutes, at ten cents per copy, in each congregation, before coming to Conference next year, double the number can be obtained, and the issue cheapened. TRY THIS ONE YEAR. Or let the Churches or quarterly conferences order the Minutes through the pastor. A brother who advertises the Minutes from his pulpit, and lets his sexton sell them at cost in the vestibule, is successful.

Conference helped the subscription by ordering the roll-call the second day for that purpose. Let it be done again next year. Recently, in another Conference, a half session was taken up with raising money to pay the Minutes' debt. *We have no arrearages.* The advertisements are designed to benefit the reader. Many of them relate to Church interests. We seek such especially, and use none unworthy of confidence.

Brethren who obtain advertisements for the Minutes, at the rate of \$20.00 per page, will diminish their cost, and be paid for the trouble. We print, this year, 2,700 copies. If each presiding elder would bring to Conference a written exhibit of each local preacher in his district, indicating his orders and post-office address, and hand it to the Secretary, it would insure a correct list for publication. No officers of Educational Society, or of Ladies' and Pastors' Christian Union, were elected this year. The Committee on Popular Amusements did not report. Please call attention to the various Reports from the pulpit.

Please communicate to us freely any correction in names, or suggestions for the improvement of our Minutes. Your obedient servants,

THE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE.